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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 9 Aust Inf Bde HQ AIF Date and Time.—From 1 Jan 43 To 5 Jan 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Narellan Camp	1. Jan 43	—	Normal Training	
CAMDEN 1" REF.	2-1.43	1100	Capt Gillespie of 1 Aust Div Intelligence Section	
720982.			visited 9 Bde HQ.	
	3.1.43	0900.	2 I.C. 1/45 Bn conducted map reading exercise	
			in vicinity of MT ANNON. Camden 1" Ref 765902	
	4.1.43	0900	No 1 Bde Aircraft Recognition School commenced duration	
			6 days	
	"	1315	1 Aust Div signal 0667 advises tryout of 1 Div Op instn	
			27 during following week. 9 Bde units informed (0176)	
	5.1.43	0900	18 Bn training BRINGELLY area	
	"	2100	A319 9 Bde education officer temporarily attached	
	"		to HQ NSW L of C area (N 249323 Lieut W McNAMARA.)	

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Unit 9 Aust Inf Bde AIF. Date and Time.—From 6 Jan 43 To 12. Jan 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MARELLAN CAMP.	6. 1. 43	0950	Warning Order received for try out of 1 Div Ops Plan	1 Div Signal 0674
CAMDEN REF. 720982			(1 Bde only)	
	"	1300	1/45 Bn route march vicinity THERESA PARK.	
	"	1710	Maj DARLING (BM) nominated for RAAF School	
			of Army Co-Operation CANBERRA. Course No 12 23-30 Jan 43.	1 Div Q54
	9. 1. 43	0900	C.O. 18 Bn conducted recce for exercise vic APPIN	
			area.	
	10. 1. 43	0900.	9 Bde HQ. I Sec Sigs 254 LAD rifles were withdrawn to be	
			despatched to Ingleburn for examination	
	11. 1. 43	0900	No 2 Bde Aircraft Recognition School Commenced.	
	"	2110	18 Bn returned to camp after a 2 day bivouac.	
	12. 1. 43	1030	9 Bde placed on 36 hrs notice for 1 Div Ops Exercise	1 Div 0218

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Unit 9 Aust Inf Bde HIF. Date and Time.—From 13 Jan 43. To 25.1.43

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NARELLAN CAMP.	13.1.43	0705	See 1 Div signal 0705 attached	
CAMDEN REF. 720982		0710	9 Aust Inf Bde Intelligence Section moved out to recce route from SILVERDALE to SPRINGWOOD	
	16.1.43	1215	Warning Order 9 Aust Inf Bde move to RUTHERFORD	1 Div Signal Q 138
	18.1.43	1805	Warning order cancelled	" " Q 147
	"	0900	No3. Bde Aircraft Recognition School commenced.	
	19.1.43	0845	17 Bn two day exercise vic MONKEY CREEK.	
			18 Bn on exercise vic WEROMBI to BRINGELLY	
	21.1.43	0723	Maj HIGHTER G2 Cypher Security LHO visited	
			9 Bde e units.	
	22.1.43	2100.	Ref 1 Div RO A20. 1 Div order urgent representations to be	
			made to obtain volunteers potential paratps. to fill quota	1 Div Sig A1000.
	25.1.43	0600	18 Bn Composite Coy passed S.P. WOODSTOCK 0730/25	
			on 3 day PT exercise SILVERDALE to SPRINGWOOD.	
			Cross country	

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Unit 9 Aust Inf Bde HQ AIF Date and Time.—From 25 Jan 43 To 28 Jan 43

St 7455

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NARELLAN CAMP	25.1.43	1300	17 Bn party arrived at "The Oaks". Proceeding to	
			St Helena. Six men unable to make journey first day	
			sent back to camp.	
..	26.1.43	1030	18 Bn arrived at the Oaks all personnel fit.	
		1510	Bush fires broken out along route. Bns warned	
		1950	18 Bn bivouac ST HELENA area no casualties.	
..	27.1.43	0750	18 Bn b/f ST HELENA.	
	..	1000	18 Bn rear party arrived at THE OAKS. proceeding to	
	..	..	SPRINGWOOD out of rations.	
	..	1500	18 Bn reached SPRINGWOOD	
	28.1.43	1100	Advance party 1/45 Bn reached the OAKS. 23 casualties	
		0830	Bde HQ party ref LIVERPOOL 563274 2100/27. No casualties	
		1915	1/45 Bn arrived ST HELENA.	

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Unit HQ 9 Aust Ref Bde HQ. Date and Time.—From 29.1.43 To 31.1.43.

St 7455

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NAPOLEAN CAMP.	29.1.43.	1600	1/45 Bn arrived at SPRINGWOOD.	
		1830	" " " NAPOLEAN CAMP.	
	30.1.43	1300	All equipment lost by bns in WARRAGAMBA RIVER	
	"		recovered by divers.	
	31.1.43	.	—	

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Address HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
AUSTRALIA.

5 JAN 1943

SUBJECT : WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

1 Aust Div.

.... 1. Enclosed please find 9 Aust Inf Bde Intelligence Report for week ended 2359 hrs 2 Jan 42, in duplicate.

RSub Capt.
S.C. 9 Aust. Inf. Bde.
~~(C.E.MORGAN) Lt Col~~
for (A.C.S.HOLLAND) Brig
COMD 9 AUST INF BDE
AOD.

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9 AUST INF BDE INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

Based on information received up to 2359 hrs 2 Jan 43.

1. INFM RE ENEMY: No enemy activity in Bde Area.

2. INFM re OWN TROOPS: (a) Location see appendix "A" attached.

(b) POSTING OF OFFICERS.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF): Brig A.C.S.Holland and Major G.C.Darling attending J.C.O.T.S. at Port Stephens.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn: JOINED Lieut. C.L.HOOK - GED Showground appointed OC B Pl "B" Coy 26.12.42
Lt-Col. L. Casler attending J.O.C.T.S. Port Stephens from 28 Dec 42.

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Lieut. Lamplough R.G.H. seconded HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF).

18 Aust Inf Bn. Lt-Col G.H. Neville attending J.O.C.T.S. Port Stephens from 27 Dec 42. Major W. Elliott is Adm Comd of the unit during CO's absence. Lieut. J.N. Nossiter was posted Asst/Adjt as from 26 Dec 42.

(c) TRAINING.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn. Tng has included : Range Practices - 600 yds, Rifle and Bren, Lectures on Jungle Warfare, gas chamber DM and practice movement exercises.

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF). Bn personnel attended -, lectures and participated in ercises which are being given by members of LHQ Jungle Training Team. Tng Cadre for OHs embracing weapon tng drill, field work, map reading, commenced this week.

18 Aust Inf Bn. Offrs and NCOs attended lectures on Jungle Tng and Jap Tactics in New Guinea, given by visiting Jungle Tng Team and on 30 Dec 42 took part in exercise arranged by Lt-Col WOLFENDEN in the LEUMEAH Area. Further cadre tng has been carried out and in addition, personnel have been organise into a Composite Coy as per 9 Aust Inf Bde Op Plan 3 dated 27 Dec 42. On 31 Dec 42 and 1 Jan 43 this Company satisfactorily carried out trial moves at short notice to the COBBITTY Area.

3. INFM RE "I" SECs.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF): Composition:
Lieut. R.LAMPLOUGH R.G.H.
Sgt. R.WEBB
Cpl. L.BROWN
Pte. W.PERCIVAL
Pte. A.Harris (Batman)

Personnel of Sec attended lectures on Jungle Tng and Jap Tactics. Preparation continues for Bde Aircraft Recognition School - 4 to 9 Jan 43.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn. Composition:
Lieut. C.G.WELLS (A/IO)
Lieut. G.H.Jesser(CMF Draft)
Sgt. Steffanoni
Cpl. W.Adam (attending IOTS Bonegilla from28 Dec)
Pte. D.Hull
Cpl. A. McKeand (att for tng)

Tng - Routine Duties.

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5. INFM RE "I" SECS.

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) : Composition Lieut. R. WILTSHIRE.
Sgt. W. CHAMPION.

Tngs: Routine duties.

18 Aust Inf Bn. : Composition Lieut. W. FREEMAN
Sgt. E HOWIE
A/Cpl. J. MURPHY
L/Cpl. T.SIMPSON

Tngs: Routine Duties.

4. TOPOGRAPHY. "NIL"

5. SECURITY. (a) Information: Rumours seem less prevalent although 1/45 Aust Inf Bn report " Rumoured move to BURMA in 14 days time".

(b) Personnel: Nil.

(c) Material : Nil.

(d) Censorship: No breaches have been reported to these HQ.

(e) SUSpected Persons: Nil.

(f) Morale: 1. Internal - good
2. External - good

(g) Educational: Weekly lectures given by Bde Education Sgt are greatly appreciated by the troops and keen interest is displayed.

6. GENERAL. "NIL"

(R.H.G.LAMPLOUGH) Lieut.
I.O. 9 Aust Inf Bde.

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9 AUST INF BDE INTELLIGENCE REPORT - APPENDIX "A"

DISPOSITIONS AS AT 2359 2 Jan 42.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde(AIF)	Camden	720982
"J" Sec Sigs 1 Aust Div	"	720982
254 Aust L A D.	"	719982
1/45 Aust Inf Bn.	"	720979
17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	"	720988
18 Aust Inf Bn	"	717985
"A" Bde Gp W/Shops AEME	"	692930
"B" Bde Gp Ord Fd Pk	"	692930

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'B' Bde Gp OFP	"	692930

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A BDE. GP. WKSHOP
1 AUST. DIV. WKSHOP (AEME)

Address Australia.
Date 2 Jan 43

Weekly Intelligence Report -
Period 7 days to 2400 hours 1 Jan 43

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9 Aust Inf Bde
Australia.

1. Location. Workshop location - map ref. 692931 Camden Sheet.

2. Training. Training was suspended during the preceding week while workshop move was in progress.

   Training for the following week will comprise weapon training and gas lectures.

3. Security. Troops were addressed on parade regarding this matter.

4. Health. The health of the troops appears to be satisfactory.

5. General. The total number of vehicle, casualties in workshop as at 2 Jan 43 are twenty-two vehicles, twenty motor cycles.

J S Buckman Lieut.
J. S. Buckman
"A" Bde Gp Wkshop AEME .

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Address 9 Bde: Grp. Sect.
I Aust. Div. Ord. Fd. Park.

2.1.42

H.Q.
9th.Aust.Inf.Bde,

"I" RETURN

(a) 932689 Camden

(b) No Officer at present in charge of this Bde.Section. (Lt.Allan Clarke,O.C. I Aust.Div.Ord.Fld.Park is Commanding Officer of this,and Two other Bde. Sections)

(c) Owing to change of Location,this Unit has had no Training over the past week.

(d) Very little cover afforded by Trees in vicinity.

(e) Nil.

(f) Two Members to I8th.Camp Hospital for appointment with Specialists.

(g) Nil

L.Lackey Sgt
for Lt. Allan Clarke
9 Bde: Grp. Sect.
I Aust. Div. Ord. Fd. Park

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18 AUST. INF. BN.
INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

Based on information received up to 2400hrs. 1 Jan.'42.

1. Information re Enemy.
Nil.

2. Information re Own Troops.

(a) 1. Location.
Bn. remains encamped in C &D Blocks NARELLAN CAMP, and troop movements have been confined to Camp Area, except for exercises mentioned in Para. 2(b)

2. Posting of Officers.
Lt. Col. C.H. Neville marched out on 27 Dec.'42 to Army School F.O.O.T. Port Stephens.
Maj. W. Elliott is Adm. Comd. of the unit during Lt. Col. Neville's absence.
Lieut. J.H. Nossiter was posted Asst./Adjt. as from 26 Dec.'42

(b) Training.
During the period 28/29 Dec.'42, officers and N.C.O's attended lectures on Japanese tactics in New Guinea, given by Lt. Col. Wolfenden, Capt. Dickenson and Sjt. Mackenzie, and on 30 Dec.'42, took part in an exercise arranged by Lt. Col. Wolfenden in the LEUMEAH area.
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(c) "I" Section.
No change.

3. Topography.
No recce. has been carried out.

4. Security.

(a)	Information	- No breaches detected.
(b)	Personnel.	- Nothing of a subversive nature to report.
(c)	Material.	- Nil.
(d)	Operations.	- Nil.
(e)	Censorship.	- Nil.
(f)	Suspected Persons	- Nil.
(g)	Morale.	- Good.
(h)	General.	- Nil.

5. Health.
The health of the tps. is good.

W.D. Freeman
..... Lieut.
(W.D. Freeman.)
I.O. 18 Aust. Inf. Bn.

W. Elliott
..... Maj.
(W. Elliott.)
Adm. Comd. 18 Aust. Inf. Bn.

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HQ 1/45 Aust Inf Bn,
AUSTRALIA
1 Jan 43.

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WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

9 Aust Inf Bde,
AUSTRALIA

Based on information received up to 2359 hrs 1 Jan 43.

1. INFORMATION RE ENEMY
No Information

2. INFORMATION RE OWN TPS

(a) LOCATION BnHQ and all coys Vic. CAMDEN M.S. ref 720979.

(b) Posting of Officers The follwoing changes are reported since last return.

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(d) Information Re "I" Section

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(3) Topography
Nil

(4) Security
a. Information- Rumored move to Burma in 14 days being discussed by troops.
b. Personnel- Nil
c. Material- No activity
d. Operations- Normal guard and Piquet Duties being carried out.
e. Censorship- No breaches reported.
f. Suspected Persons- No activity
g. Morale- 1. Internal - good
2. External - No friction reported
3. Educational- Lecture attended by tps.
l. General - 1. No activity
2. Health of tps GOOD

C.G.Kells Lieut.
(C.G.Kells)

This report has been read and noted by W Holtsbaum Maj.
(V.W.W.Holtsbaum)
Adm Comd 1/45 Aust Inf Bn

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HQ 1/45 Aust Inf Bn,
AUSTRALIA
1 Jan 43.

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WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

9 Aust Inf Bde,
AUSTRALIA

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C.G.Kells Lieut.
(C.G.Kells)

This report has been read and noted by W.W.Holtsbaum Maj.
(W.W.Holtsbaum)
Adm Comd 1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

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18 AUST. INF. BN.
INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

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1. Information re Enemy.
Nil.

2. Information re Own Troops.

(a) 1. Location.
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(c) "I" Section.
No change.

3. Topography.
No recce. has been carried out.

4. Security.

(a)	Information	- No breaches detected.
(b)	Personnel.	- Nothing of a subversive nature to report.
(c)	Material.	- Nil.
(d)	Operations.	- Nil.
(e)	Censorship.	- Nil.
(f)	Suspected Persons	- Nil.
(g)	Morale.	- Good.
(h)	General.	- Nil.

5. Health.
The health of the tps. is good.

Lieut.
(W.D. Freeman.)
I.O. 18 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Maj.
(W. Elliott.)
Adm. Comd. 18 Aust. Inf. Bn.

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

For week ending 2 Jan. 43 and based on information received up to 2359 hrs. 25 Dec. 42.

1. INFORMATION RE ENEMY — No enemy action has occurred on Bn. front during this week.

2. INFORMATION RE OWN TPS — (a) Location Bn.HQ has been situated during this week at Cadre Camp NARELLAN - CAMDEN 720988.
(b) Posting of Offrs. Lieut. Lamplough, R.G.H. NX103981 seconded 9 Aust Inf Bde. (AIF).
(c) Training Offrs. are engaged in trg syllabus for Offrs. Also attending lectures and participating in exercises which are being given by members of LHQ Jungle Trg. Team.

3. TOPOGRAPHY — No new topographical information has been recorded.

4. SECURITY
(a) Information The practice of employing counter rumours seems to have been successful and little reliance is placed on the truth of any rumour circulated among the tps.
(b) Personnel Nothing in this category has been encountered during this week.
(c) Material Stores and Equipment appear to be quite secure. MT and Carriers mounting regular and efficient picquets.
(d) Training O/Rs. attended lectures and participated in exercises given by Jungle Trg. Team. Trg cadre for all O/Rs embracing weapon training, drill, field work, map and compass reading, commenced this week. Capt. McDonald offr. in charge.
(e) Information re Int. Section
Composition 1 Offr.
1 Sjt.
Lieut. R.W.R. Wiltshire on leave prior to leaving for 2 Aust Army Int. School, Q'ld.
Trg and Work
1 Sjt. attended lecture and exercises given by Jungle Trg. Team. Keeping records. Map reading for Cadre personnel.
(f) Operation Nothing additional to report.
(g) Censorship No breaches have been observed during this week.
(h) Suspected persons Nothing to report.

5. MORALE
(a) Internal Tps generally contented. Regimental Dinner held on New Years Day and attended by all offrs. and O/Rs was appreciated greatly by the tps. Functions of this nature do much to build up the spirit of comradeship which is so essential for the building of an efficient unit.
(b) External No reports of friction with other tps or civilians by members of this Bn have been reported.
(c) Educational Weekly lectures given by Bde. Education Sjt. are being greatly appreciated by tps. and keen interest is displayed by all.

[redacted] W Champion Lt.-Col.

Seen by [redacted] Lt.-Col.
(C.E. Morgan) Comd 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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HQ 1/45 Aust Inf Bn,
AUSTRALIA
1 Jan 43.

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WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

9 Aust Inf Bde,
AUSTRALIA

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No Information

2. INFORMATION RE OWN TPS

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c. Material- No activity
d. Operations- Normal guard and Piquet Duties being carried out.
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l. General - 1. No activity
2. Health of tps GOOD

C.G.Kells Lieut.
(C.G.Kells)

This report has been read and noted by W.W.Holtsbaum Maj.
(W.W.Holtsbaum)
Cambourne 1/45 Aust Inf Bn

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

9 AUST INF BDE ADM INSTN 1.

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TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH 9 AUST INF BDE OP PLAN 3, PLANS 3 & 4 AND 1 AUST DIV ADM INSTN 21.

1. The following is issued in amplification of 1 Aust Div Adm Instn 21.

2. AMN.

a. Reserve SAA for Rifles and LMGs; amn .450, .455 and .55; Grenades No 36 HE and No 63 Smoke; will be carried on Pl vehs.

b. Reserve amn for MMG, Mortars and as much of remainder of Bn WET Amn as can be carried, will be loaded on Coy HQ vehs.

3. SUPS.

a. Until separate authority for issue of further res rations is issued, 48 hrs res rations ONLY will be held.

b. 24 hrs rations of above will be carried on the men.

c. 24 hrs rations will be held on Coy HQ vehs.

4. VEHS. will be allotted on a minimum basis of the following :-

		Type.	Number.	Use.
a.	BN GP HQ.	Cars Recce 6 Str	2	CO and 2 i/c.
		Van 1 ton	1	Sigs.
		Trucks or Lorries 3 ton	3	(RAP; Kitchen; (Personnel
b.	COY.			
	HQ.	Van 15 cwt	1	Coy Comd.
		Lorry Water 30 cwt	1	
		Trucks or Lorries 3 ton.	2	(Stores; Kitchen; (rations & amn.
	Pl.	Trucks or lorries 3 ton.	2	Personnel, amn and pl stores.
	Mortar.	Trucks or lorries 3 ton.	2	1 per det.
	MCs.		3	Orderlies for Coy Comd, Carriers, Mortars.

The above allotment is designed as a minimum requirement. Should local resources permit, additional vehs may be used.

(R.S.WEBB) Capt
SC 9 AUST INF BDE.

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Nos. 1 - 10.

ROUTINE ORDERS

PART I

BY

BRIG A.C.S. HOLLAND

COMMANDING

9 AUST INF BDE.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
1 Jan 43.

GENERAL STAFF --- NIL.

ADMINISTRATION.

1. CAMP DUTIES.

Duty Unit:	1 Jan	1/45 Aust Inf Bn
	4 Jan	17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
	7 Jan	18 Aust Inf Bn
Field Officer:	1 Jan	Capt R.J.Davis 1/45 Aust Inf Bn
	4 Jan	Capt B.M.Howell 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
	7 Jan	Capt A.V.Adcock 18 Aust Inf Bn

2. ROUTINE ORDERS.

The following orders have been issued to units and will be noted for information and necessary action :-

General ROs	697 -725	25 Dec 42
Second Aust Army ROs	361 - 365	24 Dec 42
1 Aust Div ROs	388 - 398	29 Dec 42

3. APPOINTMENTS ETC ORDERS.

The following appointments etc orders have been issued to units for information :-

Second Aust Army Appointments No 18 24 Dec 42.

4. ADMINISTRATION 9 AUST INF BDE.

During absence of BM 9 Aust Inf Bde from 27 Dec 42 - 18 Jan 43 incl Comd 9 Aust Inf Bde has appointed NX101316 Capt R.N.Williams Acting BM with full disciplinary powers.

5. SICK LEAVE.

1. It is NOT within the power of Area Medical Officers to grant sick leave.

2. Sick leave may only be granted to a patient in a military hospital, convalescent depot or convalescent home and such leave is approved by DDMS L of C Area.

3. Should personnel become ill away from camp they must contact their unit immediately.

(To be repeated in unit orders).

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6. UNAUTHORISED INTERFERENCE WITH EQUIPMENT. Ref 1 Aust Div RO 397.

"1. Several cases have occurred recently where minor defects in technical equipments have been converted into major defects by unskilled attempts at repair by unauthorised personnel. In particular, clocks and watches which should have been repairable have had to be condemned as unserviceable because unskilled tampering has aggravated the original damage or caused further breakage of sound parts.

2. As spare parts for certain instruments, particularly watches and clocks, are almost unobtainable, such tampering results in loss of equipment.

3. Previous orders forbidding the repair of technical equipment of all kinds by unauthorised personnel will be strictly enforced."

(To be repeated in unit Routine Orders).

7. LEGAL ADVICE.

Legal advice may be obtained free of charge from -

Incorporated Law Institute of NSW — 3 Castlereagh St., Sydney
Australian Service Movement — 9 High St., Sydney.

Units will publish.

8. DRLS.

Reference is made to 1 Aust Div RO 257.

Units will ensure this procedure is adhered to.

9. RETURNS.

Condition Arms & Equipment	1 Jan 43
Personnel AWL more than 21 days	2 "
Medical	2 "
Seasonal Leave	2 "
Prophylactic Examination	2 "
Wage AIF	4 "

10. RAIL CROSSING - CAMPBELLTOWN STATION.

Disciplinary action will be taken against personnel crossing rails at Campbelltown Station other than by overhead bridge.

TO BE READ TO ALL TROOPS.

R.N. Williams
(R.N. WILLIAMS) Capt
A/BM 9 AUST INF BDE.

NOTICES.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

Sun Jan 3 1930 hrs Salvation Army Hut - Community Singing.

Tues Jan 5 1945 hrs Stadium - "Blind Alley".

War Diary

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Serial No 2.

ROUTINE ORDERS

Nos. 11 - 18.

PART 1

BY

BRIG A.C.S.HOLLAND,

COMMANDING

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF).

9 AUST INF BDE.

7 Jan 43.

GENERAL STAFF - NIL.

ADMINISTRATION.

11. CAMP DUTIES.

Duty Units:	10 Jan	1/45 Aust Inf Bn	
	13 "	17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	
	16 "	18 Aust Inf Bn	
Field Officer:	10 Jan	Capt Roberts H.A.	1/45 Aust Inf Bn
	13 "	Capt Streeting K.A.	17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
	16 "	Capt Chambers S.	18 Aust Inf Bn

12. ROUTINE ORDERS.

The following orders have been issued to units and will be noted for information and necessary action:-

General ROs	1 - 19	1 Jan 43
Second Aust Army ROs	366 - 371	31 Dec 42
" - " " "	1 - 13	7 Jan 43
1 Aust Div ROs	1 - 11	5 Jan 43

13. APPOINTMENTS ETC ORDERS.

The following appointments etc orders have been issued to units for information :-

Second Aust Army Appointments No 19	31 Dec 42
" " " " " 1	7 Jan 43

14. COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT WAR LOANS - APPLICATIONS BY MEMBERS OF AMF.

1. In view of the numerous requests made by members of the Forces to subscribe to the £100,000,000 Austerity War Loan, arrangements have been made to provide, through the Army Pay System, facilities to enable personnel serving in Australia and New Guinea to invest their savings in Commonwealth Government Inscribed Stock or Treasury Bonds. Special instructions relative to this matter are contained in LHQ Memo 160755 of 14 Dec 42, copies of which will be made available to all units. It should be particularly noted that this memo is not to be regarded as an appeal to members to subscribe to War Loans.

2. Interest, which will be payable at the stipulated rates from the date of application, may be credited to members' Bank Accounts or entered in paybooks, as desired.

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3. Application forms will be distributed to Units by Second Aust Army Command Pay Office and members desiring to subscribe to War Loans should apply to Unit HQs for such forms.

4. This order will be republished in all Unit RO's.

15. PILLION RIDING - MOTOR CYCLES.

Pillion riding on motor cycles is prohibited except during unit manoeuvres, tactical exercises and training therefor, or in case of emergency.

16. BUSH FIRES.

1. Attention is directed to the danger of grass fires. Units will ensure that:-

(a) Unit fire orders are adequate and that all ranks understand them.
(b) All fire-fighting equipment is maintained in good order and that fire pickets are constantly practiced in their duties.
(c) Undergrowth and grass are kept cut.

2. Units will co-operate with local landholders and Bush Fire Fighting Brigades in accordance with GRO A630 of 4 Dec 42.

3. Copies of Standing Orders for Fire Service (Aust) will be in possession of all units.

(To be repeated in Formation Orders.)

17. MOVEMENT THROUGH BDE TENT LINES.

Personnel of other units have been observed walking through Brigade tent lines. This practice will cease immediately.

18. RETURNS.

Following are cancelled :-

Trunk Lines
Camp Allocation
Number AWL as at 0600 each Saturday

Following will be rendered :-

Seasonal Leave	9 Jan 43
Medical	9 Jan 43
% AIF	11 Jan 43
Officers & Sergeants Mess	14 Jan 43
Payment of Claims	16 Jan 43
Quarterly Audit Regimental Funds	25 Jan 43

R.W. Williams
(R.W.WILLIAMS) Capt
A/BM 9 AUST INF BDE.

NOTICES.

Palliasse and blanket has been left at Guard House. Owner will apply to Cond of Guard.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

7 Jan	CENEF	1945 hrs	Co-Optimists' Concert Party.
9 Jan	CENEF	2000 hrs	Pictures

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ENTERTAINMENTS (Contd)

10 Jan	CUSA	1930 hrs	Educational Film.
10 Jan	CENEF	1930 hrs	Community Singing.
12 Jan	Stadium	2000 hrs	"Up the River - Preston Foster".
13 Jan	CENEF	1930 hrs	1 Aust Div Concert Party.

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(Adapted, Large.)
(Pads of 100.)
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MESSAGE FORM.

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Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.	IN	No. of Groups GR.	OFFICE DATE STAMP
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TO RAA Repeated 9 Bde 28 Bde

FROM 10 Div | Originator's Number. 0695 | Date. 10/8 | In Reply to Number.

(Write horizontally)

43	A/Tk	Bty	will	despatch *1
pers	now	at	Narellan	Wahroonga
6	1	troops *2	forthwith	①
Troops	will	come	under	Command
of	9	Bde	for	Operations
and	training	for	operation	role

The following are Corrupt.

*① may be read as "build"

*② may be read as "Dropp"

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS (*EXCEPT WIRELESS)

SIGNATURE
*Originator may delete "except" and insert "including"

THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER IF LIABLE TO INTERCEPTION OR TO FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS.

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN 1930.

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

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T.O.R. 2150.

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Address HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde(AIF)
AUSTRALIA.

10 JAN 1943

SUBJECT: WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

I Aust Div.

I. Enclosed please find 9 Aust Inf Bde Intelligence Report for week ended 2359 hrs 8 Jan 43, in duplicate.

(A.C.S. HOLLAND) Brig.
Comd 9 Aust Inf Bde.

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9 AUST INF BDE INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

Based on information received up to 2359 hrs 8 Jan 43.

1. INFM RE ENEMY. No enemy activity in 9 Aust Inf Bde area.

2. INFM RE OWN TROOPS. (a) Location. See appendix "A" attached.

(b) Posting of Offrs. 9 Aust Inf Bde HQ. Lieut C. MOORE promoted to T/Capt on 7 Jan 43. Lieut W FREEMAN OC 254 LAD during Capt FRIEND'S absence at I Aust Div.

I/45 Aust Inf Bn. Lt. Col. CASIER attending J.O.O.T. School. Maj.V. HOLTSBAUM Adm Comd.

I7 Aust Inf Bn. Joined: A/Lieut J. NORRIE from R.M.C. Quitted: Lieut R. WILTSHIRE posted "X" list. To L.H.Q School of Mil. Int.

I8 Aust Inf Bn. On 5 Jan 43 notice was received of promotion of three N.C.O.s to commissioned rank:-
Lieut V. EDWARDS T.O.
Lieut G. GLENWRIGHT "B" Coy.
Lieut A. MOYES "C" Coy.

(c) Training. I/45 Aust Inf Bn. Bn has been engaged in the following:- P.T., map reading exercise preparation for composite coy move, bayonet drill, stretcher drill, gas lectures, lectures on tinea and range practice.

I7 Aust Inf Bn. Preparation for formation of composite coy from Bn ORs engaged in tng syllabus including:- elementary drill, communication drill, weapon tng map reading, and gas tng. Unqualified personnel attended COBBITTY Range.

I8 Aust Inf Bn. Composite coy tng has included trial moves, daylight compass march, exercises in attack in BRINGELLY area. Tng films have been shown to all tps.

3. INFM RE "I" SECS. 9 Aust Inf Bde HQ. Composition:- Lieut R. LAMPLOUGH.
S/Sjt R. WEBB.
Cpl L. BROWN.
A/Cpl W. PERCIVAL.
Pte. A. HARRIS.(batman)
On 7 Jan43 Sjt. R. WEBB was promoted to rank of S/Sjt. Pte. W. PERCIVAL promoted to A/Cpl. on 4 Jan43.
Personnel of sec have been attending Bde Aircraft Recognition School during the past week.

I/45 Aust Inf Bn. Composition:- Lieut C KELLS. (A/IO.)
Lieut G. JESSER.(CMF draft)
Sjt W. STEFFANONI.
Pte D. HULL.

I8 Aust Inf Bn. Composition:- Lieut W. FREEMAN.
Sjt E. HOWIE.
A/Cpl J. MURPHY.
L/Cpl T. SIMPSON.
Tng has been limited but included

preparation of routes and overlays for a forthcomi composite coy exercise. A daylight compass march was also undertaken.

4. TOPOGRAPHY. No topographical recce have been carried out.

5. SECURITY.

(a) Information:- Two personnel from I Aust Div Securi Sec visited the Bde for two days during the week. Personnel liason was established between unit adjt and I.O.s. Rumours have been dormant this week.
(b) Personnel: Nil.
(c) Material: Nil.
(d) Censorship: 17 Aust Inf Bn report one case of censorship evasion. CO is investigating this breac
(e) Suspected Persons: Nil.
(f) Morale: 1. Internal: Good.
2. External: Good.
(g) General: Nil.

6. GENERAL. Nil.

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(R.H.G. LAMPLOUGH.) Lieut.
I.O 9 Aust Inf Bde.

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9 AUST INF BDE INTELLIGENCE REPORT - APPENDIX "A"

Dispositions as at 2359 hrs 8 Jan 45.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde(-AIF)	CAMDEN	720982
"J" Sec Sigs I Aust Div.	"	"
254 L A D .	"	7I9982
I/45 Aust Inf Bn.	"	720979
I7 Aust Inf Bn.(AIF)	"	720988
I8 Aust Inf Bn.	"	7I7985
"A" Bde Gp W/Shops AEME	"	692930
"B" Bde Gp Ord Fd Pk.	"	692930

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1 Aust. Div. Ord. Fd. Park

9.I.43.

H.Q.
9th.Aust.Inf.Bde.
AUSTRALIA.

"I" RETURN

a. 932689 Camden Sheet.
b. As previous week.
c. Personnel qualified in T.O.E.T. A/Gas,as per DPI requirement. DM G as Chamber to be completed on IIth.Inst,also elementary training on LMG to be commenced,prior to qualification as DPI standard.
d. No comment needed.
e. XXX.All Ranks had Dental examination on 5.I.43.
f. NIL.

L.Lackup Sgt. for
Lt.Allan Clarke,O.C.

'A' Bde: Grp. Sect.
1 Aust. Div. Ord. Fd. Park

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Australian Military Forces—Eastern Command.

"A" BDE. GP. WKSHOP
1 AUST. DIV. WKSHOP (AEME)

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Address Australia.
Date 9 Jan.'43.

Weekly Intelligence Report -
Period 7 days to 2400 hours 8 Jan.'43.

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9 Aust.Inf.Bde.
Australia.

1. Location. Workshop location is unchanged.

2. Training. Training during the week comprised of weapon training and gas lectures.

3. Security. Troops were addressed on parade regarding this matter.

4. Health. The health of the troops appears to be satisfactory.

5. General. The total number of vehicle casualties in workshop as at 9 Jan.'43. are twenty-five vehicles, eighteen motor cycles.

.....Lieut.
T. D. Richardson
O/C "A"Bde.Grp.Workshop
1 Aust.Div.Workshops (A.E.M.E.)

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H.Q. 1/45 AUST.INF.BN.
AUSTRALIA.
8 JAN. 42

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9 Aust.Inf.Bde.
AUSTRALIA

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

Based on infm. received up to 2359hrs. 8 JAN. 42.

1. INFM. RE ENEMY - NO infm.
2. INFM. RE OWN TPS.
   (a) Location - Bn.H.Q. & all coys. vic. CAMDEN M.S. ref. 720979.
   (b) Posting of Offrs.- The following changes are reported since last return.
   Lt.Col.L.W.Casier attending J.O.O.T.School from 28Dec.
   Maj.V.W.W.Holtsbaum Adm. Comd.
   (c) Trg. - 2Jan- BDE. DUTIES-2I/C recce. MT. ANNAN for Map Reading exercise.
   3 Jan. - BDE DUTIES - Church Parade.
   4 Jan. - BDE DUTIES - Lecture to Offrs on TINEA - Film on Warfare - Lecture to pers. on TINEA.
   5 Jan. - P.T. - Map Reading Exercise vic. MT. ANNAN for Offrs. and NCO's.
   6 Jan. - Preparation for Composite Coy Move - Bayonet fighting - Weapon Trg. - Stretcher Drill.
   7 Jan. - CMF draft moved out - P.T. - Pictures on P.O.W. - Lecture on Gas.
   8 Jan. - 600 yds. Range - Rifle and Bren for pers. who had not already qualified.
   (d) Inf. re "I" Sec:-
   (1) COMPOSITION: Lieut C.G.Kells (acting I.O.)
   Lieut G.H. Jesser (CMF draft)
   Sgt Steffanoni, C.W.
   Pte Hill, D.
   (2) TRG and WORK: Essential "I" duties being carried out.
   (3) TOPOGRAPHY: Nil
   (4) SECURITY:
   (a) INFM. - Rumour of move to Ingleburn proved partly correct when CMF draft moved out on Thurs. 7 Jan. Rumour that this unit will be sued as reinfts.
   (b) PERS. - Nil.
   (c) MATERIAL - No activity.
   (d) OPERATIONS - Normal guard duties being done.
   (e) CENSORSHIP - No breaches reported.
   (f) SUSPECTED PERSONS - No activity.
   (g) MORALE: 1. Internal - Good
   2. External - No friction reported.
   3. Educational - Lectures attended by tps.
   (h) GENERAL 1. No activity
   2. Health of tps - Good.
   WOii Gittins marched out, WOii Taylor marched in as R.S.M. Sports arranged for 3 Jan. postponed because of bad weather.

This report has been read and noted by

K.M. Whitford
Lieut
(K.M.Whitford)
for I.O., 1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

R Sutton
Lieut
(R.Sutton)
for Maj. V.W.W.Holtsbaum
Adm Comd 1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

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18 AUST. INF. BN.
INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

Based on Information Received up to 2400hrs. 8Jan.'43.

1. Information re Enemy.

Nil.

2. Information re Own Troops.

(a) 1. Location.

The Bn. remains encamped in C and D blocks NARELLAN CAMP.

2. Posting of Officers.

On 2 Jan.'43, notice was received of promotion of 3 N.C.O.'s to commissioned rank, and they were posted as follows:-

Lieut.	V. Edwards.	T.O.
"	G.C. Glenwright	"B" Coy.
"	A. Moyes.	"C" Coy.

Capt.S Chambers is attending 9 Aust. Inf. Bde. A/R School from 4-9 Jan.'43 incl.

(b) Training.

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(c) "I" Section.

Tng. has been limited but included preparations of routes and overlays for a forthcoming Composite Coy. exercise, and a daylight compass march.

3. Topography.

No recce. have been carried out.

4. Security.

(a) Information.
No breaches detected.

(b) Personnel.
Nothing of a subversive nature to report.

(c) Material.
Nil.

(d) Operations.
Nil.

(e) Censorship.
Nil.

(f) Suspected Persons.
Nil.

(g) Morale.
Good.

(h) General.
Nil.

5. Health.

The health of the troops is good.

W.D. Freeman. Lieut.
(W.D. Freeman.)
I.O. 18 Aust. Inf. Bn.

This report has been read and noted

W. Elliott Maj.
(W. Elliott)
Adm. Comd. 18 Aust. Inf. Bn.

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Lieut.
(W.D. Freeman.)
I.C. 18 Aust. Inf. Bn.

This report has been read and noted

Maj.
(W. Elliott)
Adm. Comd. 18 Aust. Inf. Bn.

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WLC/RAA

Intelligence Report,
17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF),
Australia.

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9 Jan 43.

17 Aust. Inf. Bn. Intelligence Report

For Week Ending 9 Jan 43.

Based on information received up to 2359 hrs. 8 Jan 43.

1. INFORMATION Re. ENEMY — No ENEMY Action has occurred on Bn. front during this week.

2. INFORMATION Re. OWN TPS.

(a) Location.
Bn.HQ. has been situated during this week at Cadre Camp, NARELLAN, CAMDEN 720988.

(b) Posting of Officers.
Officer joined during this week :
NX138174 A/Lieut. NORRIE, J.W. from R.M.C.
Adjt's General Appointment. List No. 31 A.
Officer quitted during this week:
NX104255 Lieut. WILTSHIRE, R.W.R.
Posted X List. To L.H.Q. Sch. of Mil. Int. In. Wing, Course No. 7.

(c) Training.
Officers engaged in training syllabus for Officers. Preparation for formation of composite coy. from Bn. O/Rs. engaged in training syllabus which includes elementary drill, communication drill, weapon trg., map reading and gas trg. Capt. A.W.MacDONALD in charge. Unqualified personnel in Rifle and Bren attended Cobbitty Range. Capt. Chipman in charge.

(d) Information re I. Section.
(i) Composition. 1 Sjt.
(ii) Trg. & Work. I. Sjt. engaged in keeping records lecturing to Cadre personnel on map reading, conventional signs and use of scales and protractor.

3. TOPOGRAPHY. — No new topographical information has been recorded.

4. SECURITY.

(i) Information. Rumours have been dormant during this week and no new rumours have been recorded.
(ii) Personnel. Nothing in this category has been recorded.
(iii) Material. Stores and equipment appear to be well guarded. M.T. & Carriers mounting regular picquets.
(iv) Operation. Nothing to report.
(v) Censorship. One case of evasion of censorship was recorded this week. C.O. is investigating this breach.
(vi) Suspected persons. Nothing to report.

5. MORALE.

(i) Internal. Troops generally are bright and contented and reinforcements will be assurred of keen and efficient instruction.
(ii) External. No reports of friction with civilians or other Tps. by members of this Bn. have been reported.
(iii) Educational. Film dealing with morale and espoinage work would do much to impress upon Tps. the ~~xxxx~~ need for utmost security.

W.L. Champion Sjt.
(W.L. Champion) I. Sjt. for I.O. 17 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Seen by J.W. Lunsgaler Lt-Col.
for (C.E. Morgan) Comd. 17 Aust.Inf.Bn. (AIF).
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Pte Hall, D.
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(b) PERS. - Nil.
(c) MATERIAL - No activity.
(d) OPERATIONS - Normal guard duties being done.
(e) CENSORSHIP - No breaches reported.
(f) SUSPECTED PERSONS - No activity.
(g) MORALE: 1. Internal - Good
2. External - No friction reported.
3. Educational - Lectures attended by tps.
(h) GENERAL 1. No activity
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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.		No. of Groups GR.	OFFICE DATE STAMP
	IN		
	OUT Decyphered Message.		

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO 1 Bde. 9 Bde. 6 MGBn Rptd RAA. ADMS HQ.

FROM 1 Div | Originator's Number. O.219 | Date. 12 Nov | In Reply to Number.

(Write horizontally)

Exercise	only	major	raid	possible
within	100	miles	South	Sydney
during	next	36	hrs.	.
One	Bty	1 Bn	Regt	one
Coy	1 Fd	amb	move	forthwith
under	Command	nine	bde	.
Concentration	area	follows	.	

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS (*EXCEPT) ..... WIRELESS

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*Originator may delete "except" and insert "including."

THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER IF LIABLE TO INTERCEPTION OR TO FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS.

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN 1030.

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

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HQ 9 AUST INF BDE (AIF)
AUSTRALIA

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

1 AUST DIV.

17 JAN 1943

1. Enclosed please find 9 Aust Inf Bde Intelligence Report for week ending 2359 hrs 15 JAN 43, in duplicate.

Signed by Col Morgan

(C.E. MORGAN) Lt-Col
for A.C.S. HOLLAND Brig.
Comd 9 Aust Inf Bde
A O D.

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9 AUST INF BDE INT REPORT.
Based on infm received up to 2359 hrs 15 Jan 43.

1. INFM RE ENEMY. Nil

2. INFM RE OWN TPS. (a) Location See Appx 'A'

(b) Posting of Offrs. HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) No change.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn
Lieut TAYLOR rejoined unit from IOTS BONEGILLA.
Lieut MURRAY promoted to T.Capt.
Lieuts HUMPHRIES, ROBERTSON, SUTTON and BLAINEY awaiting interview re Paratroop Coy

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
Lieut COLLINS, A.E., dst to 42 A/Tk Bty as instructor and Lieut HAYES, J.A. to 111 A/Tk Regt.

18 Aust Inf Bn
On 15 JAN 43 2 NCOs received notice of promotion to commissioned rank and were bot posted to HQ Coys:-
Lieut HOLLINGSWORTH, R.
" MILLER, L/J.

(c) Training. HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
Gas trg has been undergone by all personnel, including DM Gas Chamber test.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn
Route marches, lectures on patrols and TOBRUK by Sjt LEACH. Composite coy exercise.

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

Trg Cadre for offrs and ORs continued, and cross country marches for whole of Bn personnel.

18 Aust Inf Bn
On 9/10 JAN 43 incl, composite coy carried out topographical exercise No 2. Report is attached hereto.
On 13/14 JAN 43, composite coy carried out tactical exercise in area DARKE'S FORES" - ref CAMDEN 1" Sqs 9877/78.
Other trg has included DM Gas chamber test and trg films.

3. INFM RE 'I' SECS. HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
Composition. - 1 Offr, 1 S/Sgt, 1 Cpl, 1 Pte (batman). Cpl BROWN has received notice to move to 2 COD.
Trg. Routine duties. From 13/15 JAN 43, IO, S/Sgt and 1 Cpl moved cross country from ref LIVERPOOL 1" 590111 via ck junc 552111, THE OAKS 559224, ST HELENA 555286 to SPRINGWOOD ref WINDSOW 1" 557362. 1 Sgts from 3 Bns accompanied the party.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn
Composition. No Change.
Trg. Essential I duties. 1 Sjt accompanied Bde IO on 3 day recc

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
Composition. 1 Offr, 1 Sjt. IO at Int School.
Trg. 1 Sjt engaged giving map reading lectures to Cadre and during latter part of week on 3 day cross country recce with Bde IO.

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3. INFM RE 'I' SECS (Continued)

18 Aust Inf Bn
Composition. 1 Offr, 1 Sgt, 1 Cpl, 1 L/Cpl.
Trg Sgt Howie accompanied Bde IO on 5 day recce 13/15 JAN 43.
Remainder of sec on tactical exercise mentioned in para 2.

4. TOPOGRAPHY. Narrow wooden bridge at LIVERPOOL 1" 607065 has no marking on br.

5. SECURITY. (a) Infm 1/45 Aust Inf Bn reports rumour that CMF draft which moved out on 7 JAN 43 is proceeding to NORTHERN AREA without leave.

(b) Personnel Nothing to report.

(c) Material Nothing to report.

(d) Operations. Nothing to report.

(e) Censorship. One breach was reported of an NCO posting mail whilst on leave, but the matter has been satisfactorily cleared up.

(f) Suspected persons. Nothing to report.

6. MORALE. Internal. Morale seems high and tps are contented. General feeling is that all ranks would like to have an opportunity of action.
External. No reports have been received.

7. GENERAL No known cases of clashes between personnel of this Bde and AMERICAN tps have occurred. Reports indicate that very little experience of American tps has been had, and tps generally seem to be unimpressed by the AMERICANS.

D.L. Pereira Capt
for
(R.H.G. LAMPLOUGH) Lieut.
IO 9 Aust Inf Bde. AOL

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9 AUST INF BDE INT REPORT - APPENDIX 'A'

Dispositions as at 2359 hrs 15 JAN 45.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) "J" Sec Sigs 1 Aust Div	)	-	CAMDEN 720982 "
254 Aust LAD		-	" 719982
1/45 Aust Inf Bn		-	" 720979
17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)		-	" 720988
18 Aust Inf Bn		-	" 717985
"A" Bde Gp W/shops AEME		-	" 692930
"A" Bde Gp Ord Fd Pk		-	" 692930

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Intelligence Report,
17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF),
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17 Aust. Inf. Bn. Intelligence Report

For Week Ending 16 Jan 43.

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2. INFORMATION Re. OWN TPS.

(a) Location.
Bn.HQ. has been situated during this week at Cadre Camp, NARELLAN, CAMDEN 720988.

(b) Posting of Officers.
Officers quitted during week :
NX111527 Lieut. Collins, A.E.
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detached as instructors to 42 A/Tk Bty., 111 A/Tk.Regt.

(c) Training
Thg Cadres being continued for Offrs and O.R's., and during latter part of week, whole of Bn. personnel engaged in cross country marches.

(d) Information re I. Section.
(i) Composition. 1 Sjt.
(ii) Trg. & Work. During first part of week giving map reading lectures to Cadre and during latter part, engaged with Bde. recce party on 3 day cross country move.

3. TOPOGRAPHY. Narrow wooden bridge at 607005 Liverpool 1st has no marking on bridge.

4. SECURITY.

(a) Information. Rumours still remain dormant and no new rumours have been recorded.
(b) Personnel. Nothing in this category has been recorded.
(c) Material. Stores and equipment appear well guarded.
(d) Operations. Nothing to report.
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(f) Suspected Persons. Nothing to report.

5. MORALE.

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   2. Tng. and Work.
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   3. Topography- Nil
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(d) Operations. Nothing to report.

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18 AUST. INF. BN.
INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

Based on Information Received up to 2400hrs. 15 Jan. '43.

1. Information re Enemy.
Nil.

2. Information re Own Troops.

(a) 1. Location.
The Bn. remains encamped in C and D blocks NARELLAN CAMP.

2. Posting of Officers.
On 15 Jan. '43, notice was received of promotions of 2 N.C.O's to commissioned rank, and they were posted as follows.....
Lieut. R. Hollinsworth, H.Q. Coy.
" L.J. Miller. H.Q. Coy.
Capt. A.V.C. Adcock is attending 9 Aust. Inf. Bde. A/R School from 11-16 Jan. '43 incl.
Capt. L.E. Dean and Lieut. A. Moyes marched out as instructors to 111 Aust. A.Tk. Regt. on 9 Jan. '43.

(b) Training.
On 9/10 Jan. '43 incl. composite coy carried out Topographical exercise No. 2 and a report is attached hereto as appx. "A".
Over the period 13/14 Jan. '43. incl. Composite Coy. carried out tactical exercise in area DARKE'S FOREST ref. CAMDEN M.S. 1" Sqs. 8977 & 8978.
Other tng. has included D.M. Gas Chamber test and Tng. films.

(c) "I" Section.
Sjt. E. Howie took part in 9 Aust. Inf. Bde. Recce. Exercise over period 13-15 Jan. '43. incl. while remaining "I" Sec. personnel took part in tactical exercise abovementioned.

3. Topography.
No recce. have been carried out.

4. Security.
(a) Information.
No breaches detected.
(b) Personnel.
Nothing of a subversive nature to report.
(c) Material.
Nil.
(d) Operations.
Nil.
(e) Censorship.
Nil.
(f) Suspected Persons.
Nil.
(g) Morale.
Good.
(h) General.
Nil.

5. Health.
The health of the troops is good.

This report has been read and noted.

.....Maj.
(W. Elliott)
Adm. Comd. 18 Aust. Inf. Bn.

.....Lieut.
(W.D. Freeman.)
I.O. 18 Aust. Inf. Bn,

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1st. Div. O.F.P.
16.I.43.

H.Q.
9th.Aust.Inf.Bde. (AIF)
AUSTRALIA.

"I" RETURN

a. 692928 Camden Sheet.

b. N274639,WO I JOHNSTON.N. marched in 14.I.43. as O.C. this Bde. Section.

c. All Personnel of this Unit passed TOET A/Gas as per DPI.
All Personnel to be trained in Elementary Handling of Bren and it is arranged that 6 Members of Gun team will complete Bren Range practice, 17.I.43.

d. No comment needed.

e. Nil.

f. X Three Members of this Unit under Specialists attention at 113th.AGH. and RAS.

g. Nil.

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1 AUST. DIV. WKSHOP (AEME)

Address Australia
Date 15th Jan 43

Weekly Intelligence Report-
Period Seven (7) Days to 2400 hours 15th Jan 43.

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9 Aust Inf Bde
Australia

1. Location. Workshop location is unchanged - map reference 692931 Camden Sheet.

2. Training. Training during the week included squad drill without arms and lectures on the Bren machine gun. On Monday 11th inst all men passed through a gas chamber using DM gas.

3. Security. Troops were addressed on parade regarding this matter.

4. Health. The health of the troops appears to be satisfactory.

5. General. The total number of vehicle casualties in workshop as at 15 Jan 43 are twenty-eight vehicles, and twelve motor cycles.

.....Lieut
T. D. Richardson
O/C "A" Bde Gp Wkshop AEME.

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18 AUST. INF. BN.
INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

Based on Information Received up to 2400hrs. 15 Jan.'43.

1. Information re Enemy.
Nil.

2. Information re Own Troops.

(a) 1. Location.
The Bn. remains encamped in C and D blocks NARELLAN CAMP.

2. Posting of Officers.
On 15 Jan.'43, notice was received of promotions of 2 N.C.O's to commissioned rank, and they were posted as follows.....
Lieut. R. Hollinsworth, H.Q. Coy.
" L.J. Miller. H.Q. Coy.
Capt.A.V.C. Adcock is attending 9 Aust. Inf. Bde. A/R School from 11-16 Jan.'43 incl.
Capt. L.E. Dean and Lieut. A. Noyes marched out as instructors to 111 Aust. A.Tk. Regt. on 9 Jan.'43.

(b) Training.
On 9/10 Jan.'43 incl. composite coy carried out Topographical exercise No. 2 and a report is attached hereto as appx."A".
Over the period 13/14 Jan.'43. incl. Composite Coy. carried out tactical exercise in area DARK'S FOREST ref. CAMDEN M.S. 1" Sqs.8977 & 8978.
Other tng. has included D.M. Gas Chamber test and Tng. films.

(c) "I" Section.
Sjt.E. Howie took part in 9 Aust. Inf. Bde. Recce. Exercise over period 13-15 Jan.'43. incl. while remaining "I" Sec. personnel took part in tactical exercise abovementioned.

3. Topography.
No recce. have been carried out.

4. Security.
(a) Information.
No breaches detected.
(b) Personnel.
Nothing of a subversive nature to report.
(c) Material.
Nil.
(d) Operations.
Nil.
(e) Censorship.
Nil.
(f) Suspected Persons.
Nil.
(g) Morale.
Good.
(h) General.
Nil.

5. Health.
The health of the troops is good.

This report has been read and noted.

W Elliott. Maj.
(W. Elliott)
Adm. Comd. 18 Aust. Inf. Bn.

H.T. Freeman. Lieut.
(H.T. Freeman.)
I.O. 18 Aust. Inf. Bn.

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REPORT ON 18 AUST. INF. BN.
TOPOGRAPHICAL EXERCISE No.2

Introductory.

This exercise was a modification of Exercise No.1, but covered the same courses, and was promoted for the training of all ranks in the Composite Coy. Very keen interest was displayed by all troops taking part and some of the syndicates were commanded by junior N.C.O's who did particularly good work.

Compass work at times was difficult owing to the effect of Ironstone in the areas of MONKEY, HORSE And CLENSONS Cks.

Some of the terrain in these areas is not quite as shown on the CAMDEN and LIVERPOOL M.S. 1" and this, coupled with the compass difficulties, combined to make the progress of syndicates arduous.

All syndicates reported at finishing point before dark on Day 2 of the exercise.

1. OBJECT.

To ensure that tps. can move effectively in timbered mountain country and to gain further experience in map reading and the use of the prismatic compass.

2. Tps. Participating.

(a) D.S. Maj. A.S. Brown.
Capt. R.S. Freeman.
Lieut. W.D. Freeman.
" G.C. Martin.
A/Cpl. J. Murphy.

(b) Syndicates.

Each section of the Composite Coy. formed a syndicate.

3. Duration.

Exercise commenced at 0800hrs.L/9 Jan.'43. and terminated 1900L/10 Jan.'43.

4. Final Conference.

1430L/11 JAN.'43.

Sequence of Events.

Day.1 Tps. transported to S.P. ref CAMDEN. 623968, where they were issued with route directions. Syndicates 1 to 5 covered routes A,B,C.D &E. respectively, starting at 1000L/9 Jan.'43, while syndicates 6 to 9 started 30 mins. later on routes A,B,C& D respectively.

D.S. were then posted at checking points; all syndicates reported at checking points and arrived at R.V. for bivouac by 1900L/9.

Day 2

Proceeded on same lines as Day.1 and syndicates checked in correctly.

Rations.

As laid down and found sufficient, salt was found very useful. Army Army biscuits made excellent porridge if soaked and salted overnight.

Equipment.

Reccommend packs with straps pulled over front of chest in form of chest-harness. All syndicates were against short puttees as compared with anklets, web, and favoured issue of clasp knives to all ranks. SmallFirst aid outfit suggested for each person.

Dress.

As laid down.

Underclothes were in some cases washed overnight and put on damp next morning. This was found satisfactory.

Reccommended that Jock Straps be issued to and worn by all troops under such conditions asexercise involved

A.S.Brown ..... Maj.
(A.S. Brown.)
C.I. 18 Aust. Inf Bn.

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18 AUST. INF. BN.
INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

Based on Information Received up to 2400hrs. 15 Jan.'43.

1. Information re Enemy.
Nil.

2. Information re Own Troops.

(a) 1. Location.
The Bn. remains encamped in C and D blocks NARELLAN CAMP.

2. Posting of Officers.
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3. Topography.
No recce. have been carried out.

4. Security.
(a) Information.
No breaches detected.
(b) Personnel.
Nothing of a subversive nature to report.
(c) Material.
Nil.
(d) Operations.
Nil.
(e) Censorship.
Nil.
(f) Suspected Persons.
Nil.
(g) Morale.
Good.
(h) General.
Nil.

5. Health.
The health of the troops is good.

This report has been read and noted.

[signature] .....Lieut.
(E. Freeman.)
I.O. 18 Aust. Inf. Bn.

[signature] .....Maj.
(W. Elliott)
Adm. Comd. 18 Aust. Inf. Bn.

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REPORT ON 18 AUST. INF. BN.
TOBOGGANING EXERCISE No.2

Introductory.

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Compass work at times was difficult owing to the effect of Ironstone in the areas of MONKEY, HORSE And CLEMSONS Cks.

Some of the terrain in these areas is not quite as shown on the CAMDEN and LIVERPOOL M.T. 1" and this, coupled with the compass difficulties, combined to make the progress of syndicates arduous.

All syndicates reported at finishing point before dark on Day 2 of the exercise.

1. OBJECT.

To ensure that tps. can move effectively in timbered mountain country and to gain further experience in map reading and the use of the prismatic compass.

2. Tps. Participating.

(a) D.S. Maj. A.S. Brown.
Capt. R.S. Freeman.
Lieut. R.D. Freeman.
" G.C. Martin.
A/Cpl. J. Murphy.

(b) Syndicates.

Each section of the Composite Coy. formed a syndicate.

3. Duration.

Ex raise commenced at 0800hrs.1/9 Jan.'43. and terminated 1900L/10 Jan.'43.

4. Final Conference.

1430L/11 JAN.'43.

Sequence of Events.

Day.1 Tps. transported to S.P. ref CAMDEN. 623968, where they were issued with route directions. Syndicates 1 to 5 covered routes A,B,C,D &E. respectively, starting at 1000L/9 Jan.'43, while syndicates 6 to 9 started 30 mins. later on routes A,B,C& D respectively.

D.S. were then posted at checking points: all syndicates reported at checking points and arrived at R.V. for bivouac by 1900L/9.

Day 2

Proceeded on same lines as Day.1 and syndicates checked in correctly.

Rations.

As laid down and found sufficient, salt was found very useful. Army Army biscuits made excellent porridge if soaked and salted overnight.

Equipment.

Recommend packs with straps pulled over front of chest in form of chest-harness. All syndicates were against short puttees as compared with anklets, web, and favoured issue of clasp knives to all ranks. SmallFirst aid outfit suggested for each person.

Dress.

As laid down.

Underclothes were in some cases washed overnight and put on damp next morning. This was found satisfactory.

Recommended that Jock Straps be issued to and worn by all troops under such conditions asexercise involved

H S Brown ..... Maj.
(A.S. Brown.)
O.I. 18 Aust. Inf Bn.

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TO

9 Bde

FROM

1 Div

Originator's Number: 0705

Date: 13

In Reply to Number

For	exercise	only	0	MAJOR	RAID
SOUTH	BOTANY	BAY	0	9 Bde	will
assemble	one	composite	bn	on	HUME
HIGHWAY	COW PASTURE	RD	facing	NORTH	EAST
0	Head	column	L'POOL	SHEET	199019
ab	1130 hrs	0	120 VTM	0	no
action	1 Bde	0	ACK	all	informed

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TO

All Units

FROM 9 Bde

Originator's Number 0183

Date 13

In Reply to Number

For	exercise	⊙	Major	raid	⊙
CO	bn	Coy	comds	arty	amb
A/TK	comds	e	representative	6	mob
Rejt	report	Bde	HQ	immediately	ack
⊙	all	informed	⊙	For	Exercise

Wt. 32412/1098. 750M. 12/40. P.I. 51-8146

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Nos 19 - 32.

ROUTINE ORDERS

PART I

BY

BRIG A.C.S.HOLLAND

COMMANDING

9 AUST INF BDE.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
14 Jan 43.

GENERAL STAFF - NIL.

ADMINISTRATION.

19. CAMP DUTIES.

Duty Unit:	17 Jan	1/45 Aust Inf Bn
	22 Jan	17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
	25 Jan	18 Aust Inf Bn
Field Officer:	17 Jan	Capt H.A.Roberts 1/45 Aust Inf Bn
	22 Jan	Capt A.W.McDonald 17 Aust Inf Bn(AIF)
	25 Jan	Capt L.J.Griffin 18 Aust Inf Bn

20. ROUTINE ORDERS.

The following orders have been issued to units and will be noted for information and necessary action :-

General ROs	20 - 40	8 Jan 43
1 Aust Div ROs	12 - 35	12 Jan 43

21. APPOINTMENTS ETC ORDERS.

The following appointments etc orders have been issued to units for information :-

1 Aust Div RO Serial 2 para 322.

22. PUBLICITY CONCERNING ESCAPED PRISONERS OF WAR.

1. Members of the A.M.F. will not, unless authorized by the Commander-in-Chief, publish in any form whatever or communicate, either directly or indirectly, to the press or radio any account of the escape of any person whatsoever from enemy or enemy-occupied territory or of the experiences of such person prior to repatriation.

2. Experience has shown that publicity of this character furnishes valuable information to the enemy and will jeopardize future escapes of Australian and Allied prisoners of war.

(To be repeated in Unit Routine Orders)

23. BROADCASTS OVER ENEMY WIRELESS BY AUSTRALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR.

A member of the Military Forces who becomes a prisoner of war will not transmit messages over enemy wireless. The enemy's design, in arranging such broadcasts, is to enhance his own propaganda.

(To be repeated in Unit Routine Orders).

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24. CASUALTIES AFFECTING PAY.

No action will be taken to amend pay book rates consequent upon promotions, remissions of fines or remissions of forfeitures until receipt of the relevant Routine Part II Order from Records Office.

25. MAXIMUM PERMISSIBLE SPEED OF VEHICLES.

1. Training -

(a) The following are the maximum speeds permitted on any surface for the vehicles mentioned. These speeds are not to be exceeded unless absolutely necessary for the purpose of field training, or as ordered by a responsible commissioned officer. In such cases, the work ticket is to be endorsed accordingly.

Type of vehicle.	Max. speed in m.p.h.
Cars, motor cycles and combinations	45
Trucks, 4 x 4, 5-cwt (Jeep)	45
Ambulances (except in emergency)x	35
Vans and trucks, 12 to 15 cwt	35
Vans, 1-ton, lorries and trucks up to 3-ton except 6-wheeler	30
Lorries and trucks, stores, 3-ton, loaded	25
Lorries, 6-wheeler and semi-trailers	20
Lorries or trucks S.B.G.	20
Lorries or trucks F.B.E.	20
Tractors, wheeled, and other vehicles towing -	
Pneumatic tyred trailers and other equipment o	20 - 15
Steel tyred field equipment or trailers	8 - 6
A.A. travelling platform	15 - 12
Medium arty, equipment, with rubber padded wheels	12 - 10
Medium arty, equipment, with steel tyred	6 - 4
Tank transporters -	
Tractor unit only	15
With trailer, unloaded	12
With trailer, loaded	10
Tractors, tracked -	
Towing medium arty equipment	3 - 1½
Carriers (all types)	20
Tanks, Light M3	25
Tanks, medium Mk II	8
Tanks, medium, M3	20
Tanks, cruiser (including A.C.)	20
Tanks, infantry, Mk II	12
Tanks, infantry, Mk III	12
Tanks, combat (M.H.)	15
Tanks, light, Mk VIA	20
Cars, scout	35
Cars, light, armoured	30
Lorries or trucks, water tank	25
Trailers -	
Workshop	15
Laundry	15
Cooker	15
Generating Set	15
Recovery	15
Water tank	20
Two-wheeled, air compressor	20

x - In cases of emergency, the speed of motor ambulances will be at the discretion of the medical authorities.

o - Where a second figure is shown, it denotes the maximum permissible speed on bad surfaces.

...../25 1 (b)

25 1 (a)/.....

(b) Army drivers are subject to the traffic regulations of the State authorities, and must observe all the rules of the road and obey orders and signals from traffic police and members of the Provost Corps.

2. OPERATIONAL.

It is emphasised that the above speeds do not apply in operations against the enemy. When in or near contact with the enemy, vehicles will move at a speed dictated by the tactical situation.

3. CONVOYS.

Particular attention is directed to the calculation of time tables when preparing operation orders. It must be remembered that the average road speed is necessarily below the maximum permissible. (Reference F.S.R. and Military Training Pamphlet No 47).

4. GENERAL.

Armies, Corps and H.Q. L. of C. Areas are responsible to ensure that traffic is properly policed in their areas and will instruct the Provost Corps to see that traffic laws, both Army and Civil, are observed.

The necessity for prompt disciplinary action in case of breaches of this instruction is stressed.

5. CANCELLATION.

This order cancels -

(a) Standing Orders for the Operation and Maintenance of Mechanical Vehicles (Australia) 1940 - para 42.

(b) M.B.I. O.39/1941.

(c) M.T.Circular No. 88 of 28th October, 1940.

(d) G.R.O. Q.23/1942,

and is to be periodically brought to the attention of all ranks concerned in the operation and maintenance of mechanical vehicles.

(To be repeated in Unit Routine Orders).

26. Attention is directed to 9 Aust Inf Bde RO Serial 2 para 16.

Units will ensure that all instructions enumerated therein are promulgated to all ranks.

27. CARE OF HAND TOOLS.

1. Demands for replacement of hand tools indicate that wastage is unduly high.

2. An acute shortage of these tools exists. Many types are not manufactured locally and have to be imported from overseas. It is essential, therefore, that all ranks be impressed with the necessity of ensuring that wastage is reduced to a minimum.

3. Care is to be taken that tools are used only for the purpose for which they are supplied.

4. Unit commanders and officers or other ranks in charge of workshops etc, are to take all action necessary to ensure that these instructions are observed by personnel under their control, and that appropriate steps are taken to ensure the safe keeping of hand tools on issue. (To be repeated in Unit Routine Orders).

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28. MOVEMENT THROUGH BDE TENT LINES.

Disciplinary action will be taken against personnel of other units moving through Bde Tent Lines. It will be ensured that all troops are conversant with this warning.

29. PIG FOODS.

In view of present danger of swine fever being transmitted to piggeries in this area, all bacon and ham residues will in future be included in DRY garbage for incineration.

Units will ensure that all cookhouse staffs are acquainted with this instruction.

30. MOSQUITO CONTROL.

Personnel detailed for tour of mosquito control duty will hereafter report Camp Staff 0830 Wednesdays with personal gear and bedding. Tour of duty one week as under :-

Wednesday	13 Jan	17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
"	20 "	18 Aust Inf Bn
"	27 "	1/45 Aust. Inf Bn

31. RETURNS.

Following will be rendered :-

Seasonal Leave	16 Jan
Medical	16 "
Prophylactic Examination	16 "
% AIF	18 "
Census of Warlike Stores	18 "
Recommendations to Comd Staff appointments carrying rank Lt Col	18 "

R.N. Williams

(R.N.WILLIAMS) Capt
A/BM 9 AUST INF BDE.

NOTICES.

LOSS OF RIFLE NO 96475.

Any unit in possession notify these HQ.

LOST.

Wallet lost on 1400 hrs bus to Campbelltown 1 Jan 43. Finder please return to Sjt Gray Camp Armourer.

WET CANTEEN HOURS.

EVENING TRADING HOURS are now as follow

1700 - 1730
1900 - 2130

SUNDAY INCLUDED.

ENTERTAINMENTS/.....

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ENTERTAINMENTS.

16 Jan	CENEF	2000 hrs	Pictures
17 Jan	CENEF	1930 "	Community Singing and Concert - 18 Aust Inf Bn Band.
19 Jan	STADIUM	1930 "	Quiz Contest and Pictures - "Fast and Furious".
20 Jan	CENEF	2000 "	Pictures.

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9 AUST INF BDE INT REPORT.

Based on infm received up to 2359 hrs 22 Jan 43.

1. (a) Ops own troops. NIL.

(b) Location. See Appx."A".

(c) Posting of Officers.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF).

Lieut. Pearce marched in from Sigs 1 Aust Div and was posted to position of SIG O2.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

Capt. Keesing and Lieut. Jesser returned from CMF draft conducting party on 21 Jan 43.
Lt-Col Casier returned from JOOTS on 18 Jan 43.
Lieut. Sutton accepted reinforcements Para troops.

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF).

Officers joined during the week.
NX104275 Lieut. J.K. Lancaster ex 4 AITB.
NX101321 Lieut. N.G. Tucker struck off "X" List.

18 Aust Inf Bn.

Lt-Col. Neville returned from JOOTS on 18 Jan 43. Lieut. W.D. Freeman reported to Second Aust Army to umpire three day exercise carried out by 15 Motor Regt., 2 Aust Mot Bde. Lieut. E.A. Musset returned from 3 Bde Staging Camp, GLENN INNES on 21 Jan 43. Lieut. C.D. Campbell returned from Army Guerilla School, BEENLEIGH, on 21 Jan 43.

(d) Training. HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF).

Training has been confined to lectures on care and cleaning of respirator and gas TOET. The majority of personnel have qualified to-date.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

Cross country marches, weapon maintenance, PT and disposn's formations and actions of patrols.

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF).

Cross country marches and two days bivouac vicinity of MONKEY CREEK . Personnel engaged in this exercise carried full marching equipment plus two Hand Grenades and 100 rounds of ammunition. Also swimming instn.

18 Aust Inf Bn.

Swimming instn and general hardening up training.

(e) Infm re "I" sec. HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF).

Composition - 1 Offr. 1 S/Sgt. 1 Cpl. 1 Pte (batman)
Tng. - Routine duties. S/Sgt Webb attended Bde Aircraft Recognition School.

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Address HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde(AIF)
Australia.

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WEEKLY INTELLIGNECE REPORT.

25 JAN 1943

1 AustbDiv (AIF).

.... 1. Enclosed please find 9 Aust Inf Bde Intelligence Report for week ending 2359 hrs, 22 Jan 43, in duplicate.

(SGD.) A. C. SELWYN HOLLAND
(A.C.S.HOLLAND) Brig.
COMD 9 Aust Inf Bde.

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H.Q.
9th.Aust.Inf.Bde.(AIF)
AUSTRALIA.

Address 'A' Bde: Grp. Sect.
1 Aust. Div. Ord. Fd. Park
23 JAN 1943

"I" RETURN

a. 692928 Camden Sheet.

b. No change since last Return.

c. Three Members of this Section qualified in TOET L.M.G. 17.I.43.

d. No comment needed.

e. Nil.

f. One Member of this Section to be Med.Boarded approx. 26.I.43.

g. Nil.

J.S. Buckman Lieut
..... For O.C.
'A' Bde: Grp. Sect.
1 Aust. Div. Ord. Fd. Park
23 JAN 1943

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"A"	BDE. GP.	WKSHOP	

1 AUST. DIV. WKSHOP (AEME)

Address Australia

Date 22nd Jan 43.

Weekly Intelligence Report
Period Seven (7) Days to 2400 hours 22nd Jan 43

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9 Aust Inf Bde HQ
Australia

1. Location. Workshop location is unchanged - map reference 692931 Camden Sheet.

2. Training. Training during the week included squad drill without arms and lectures on the Bren machine gun. On Sunday 16th inst eight(8) men qualified at a Bren machine gun shoot, one man failed.

3. Security. Troops were addressed on parade regarding this matter.

4. During the period all personnel underwent foot inspection and prophylactic examination. The general health of the troops appears to be satisfactory.

5. General. The total number of vehicle casualties in workshop as at 22nd inst are eighteen (18), and eleven (11) motor cycles.

.....Lieut
T. D. Richardson
O/C "A" Bde Gp Wkshop AEME.

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Australian Military Forces—Eastern Command.

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Bde G.	1	24

"A" BDE. GP. WKSHOP
1 AUST. DIV. WKSHOP [illegible]

Address Australia
Date 30 Jan 43.

Intelligence Report

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde
File.

For the purpose of instruction, may arrangements be made for a visit to this unit's HQ by an "I" section officer or NCO? so that, we may more effectively implement Bde HQ instruction regarding completion of the weekly "I" Report.

A copy of a typical "I" Report from an Inf Bn would perhaps be helpful.

.....Lieut.
T. D. Richardson
O/C "A" Bde Gp Wkshop AEME

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H. Q. 18 Aust Inf Bn
30 Jan 43

18 Aust. Inf. Bn. Intelligence Report

Based on info received up to 2400hrs 29 Jan 43.

1) Location own Tps.

The Bn remains encamped at C and D blocks HAMILAH camp.

2 Posting of Officers

Capt R.S.Freeman Lieuts C.D.Campbell and C.C.Glanvright marched out to 1 Aust Div Cons Gp for examination as reinforcement officers for parachute and independent Coys.

3 Training

On 25-27 Jan the unit participated in a physical training exercise conducted under conditions setout in Second Aust Army Trg Instr No 23 from SILVERDALE TO SHERWOOD. A detailed report on the exercise is attached appendix No 1.

4) Information re I Section

The I section participated successfully in the recent exercise. Sjt Hoyle acted as guide to the unit while the remainder of the Section joined the Coy to make it up to strength.

On 24 Jan Pte D.Holliday returned to the section after being absent due to injury since May 42.

5 Topography affecting own Tps

During the exercise the LIVERPOOL C.S.1" was found inaccurate in vic ref 554293 There is a volcanic formation in this area, the watercourse flowing into EASTERN rock in a westerly direction. Apart from this both the LIVERPOOL and MINOR sheets proved very reliable throughout the exercise.

6 Security

a) Information. Nothing to report.
b) Personnel. Nothing to report.
c) Material. Nothing to report.
d) Operations. Nothing to report.
e) Censorship. Further reports have been received that outward telegrams from the HAMILAH MILITARY P.O. have been received bearing details of the originating office. shown. (Source C 2)
f) Suspected Persons. Nothing to report.
g) Morale Internal. The morale of the tps proved good throughout the recent physical training exercise.
h) Morale External. Nothing to report.

Eric C Howarth for Lieut
(C.D.Freeman) A.O.2.
I.O. 18 Aust Inf Bn.

This report has been read and noted.

C H Neville Lt Col.
(C.H.Neville)
Comd 18 AUST Inf Bn.

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1. (e) Infm re "I" Sec. contd.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

Composition - 1 Offr. 1 Sgt. 1 Pte.
Tng - Routine duties. Sgt. Steffanoni assisted Major Holtsbaum on recce for FIELD FIRING RANGE.

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF).

Composition - 1 Offr. 1 Sgt. [illegible] Int School.
Tng - Sgt. Champion accompanied Bn on marches and two day trek.

18 Aust Inf Bn.

Composition - No change.
Tng - The section has been preparing topographical exercise No.3. in the MONKEY CREEK - SILVERDALE area for the composite coy.

16. TOPOGRAPHY EFFECTING OWN TROOPS: Nil

17. TOPOGRAPHY EFFECTING ENEMY TROOPS: Nil

18. Climatic conditions effecting ops: Nil

19. SECURITY. (a) Infm. There is a most persistant rumour throughout the Bde Gp of a Bde move to Rutherford to vacate camp for American Troops; 1/45 Aust Inf Bn also reports - Bde move to operational base and that most personnel of drafts have been wiped out in NEW GUINEA.

(b) Personnel: FSS visited Bde throughout week concerning rumours.

(c) Material: Nothing to report.

(d) Operations: Nothing to report.

(e) Censorship: No breaches to report.

(f) Suspected persons: Nothing to report.

MORALE.

(a) Internal.
Uncertainty as to future destiny of Bde Gp is causing a certain amount of discussion.

(b) External.
No friction with civilians or other troops has been recorded during this week.

W.H. Percival Capt.
for (R.H.G.LAMPLOUGH) Lieut.
IO 9 Aust Inf Bde. AOL.

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Appendix "A" - 9 Aust Inf Bde Int Report.

Dispositions as at 2359 hrs 22 Jan 43.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF))	Camden	720982
"J" Sec Sigs 1 Aust Div.)	"	"
254 Aust L A D.	"	719982
1/45 Aust Inf Bn	"	720979
17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	"	720988
18 Aust Inf Bn	"	717985
"A" Bde Gp W/Shops AEME	"	692930
"A" Bde Gp Ord Fd Pk	"	692930

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Intelligence Report,
17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
Australia.

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17 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF) Intelligence Report

For Week Ending 24 Jan 43.

Based on information received up to 2359 hrs. 23 Jan 43.

1. INFORMATION Re. ENEMY — No ENEMY action has occurred on Bn front during this week.

2. INFORMATION Re. OWN TPS.

(a) Location.
Bn.HQ. has been situated during this week at Cadre Camp, NARELLAN, CAMDEN 720988.

(b) Posting of Officers.
Officers joined during the week:
NX104275 Lieut. J.K. Lancaster rejoined unit ex 4 A.I.T.B.
NX101321 Lieut. N.G. Tucker struck off "X" List.

(c) Training.
Bn engaged in cross country marches and two days bivouac- in area surrounding MONKEY CREEK. The personnel engaged in this exercise carried full marching equipment plus two (2) Hand Grenades and 100 rounds amn. Tng cadres being continued. Swimming. Instruction.

(d) Information re I. Section.
(i) I. Sjt.
(ii) Tng & Work.
Accompanied Bn on marches and two day trek. Participate in Cadre Tng and keeping records.

3. TOPOGRAPHY. No new topographical information has been recorded.

4. SECURITY.

(a) Information. A very persistent rumor was circulated this week that the Bn would be moving to Rutherford Camp.

(b) Personnel. Nothing in this category has been observed.

(c) Material. Stores and equipment appear well guarded.

(d) Operation. Nothing to report.

(e) Censorship. Tps. seem to be co-operating satisfactorily in this regard; however constant reiteration is necessary if we are to get utmost security, and as there are several films dealing with this subject, efforts should be made to have these shown at weekly intervals, and followed by talks.

(f) Suspected Persons. Nothing to report.

5. MORALE.

(i) Internal. Tps generally content and a good spirit of comradeship is evident among the Tps.

(ii) External. No friction with civilians or other Tps has been recorded during this week.

(iii) Educational. Suggest that talks by F.S.S. representatives would be beneficial in helping tps. to become security minded.

L. C. Champion
(W.L. Champion) I.Sjt. for I.O. 17 Aust Inf Bn(AIF)

Seen by
(C.E. Morgan) Lt-Col. Comd. 17 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF).

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HQ 1/45 Aust Inf Bn,
AUSTRALIA
23 Jan 43.

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

9 Aust Inf Bde, (AIF)
AUSTRALIA

Based on information received up to 2359 hrs 22 Jan 43.

1. Infm re Enemy - nil.

2. Infm re own tps -
(a) Location- cadre camp Narellan.
(b) Posting of Offrs - The following changes are reported since last return
Capt Keesing and Lieut Jesser returned from CMF draft conducting party on 21 Jan 43.
Lt.Col Casier returned from JOOTS on 18 Jan 43.
Lieut Sutton accepted reinforcements Paratroops.
(c) Trg - 16 Jan Demonstartions on disposns formation and actions of patrols carrier maintenance
17 Jan Rest Day
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(d) Infm re "I" Section
1. Composition- Lieut G.H.Jesser
Sjt Steffanoni C.W.
Pte Hull D. A/SII
2. Trg and Work- essential "I" duties being carried out
Sgt Steffanoni assisted Major Holtsbaum on recce for Field Firing Exercise
Six 8" enlargements of area for above exercise completed.
3. Topography - Nil
4. Security -
(a) Infm - Rumor of Bde move to RUTHERFORD to vacate camp for AMERICAN TPS
Rumor that 2000 tps would reinforce Bde before move to operational base
Rumor that most personnel of drafts have been wiped out in N.G.
(b) Pers - Nil
(c) Material - No Act ivity
(d) Operations- Guards and piquets in opertaion
(e) Censorship- No breaches reported
(f) Suspected persons- No Activity
(g) Morale- 1. Internal - good
2. External - no friction reported
3. Educational - lectures being attended
(h) General-1. No Activity
2. Health of Tps good

C.G.Kells. Lieut.
(C.G.Kells)
For Lieut G.H.Jesser)

This report has been read and noted by

L.W.Casier
Lt.Col
(L.W.Casier)
Comd 1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

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18 AUST INF BN. SECRET

INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

Based on Information received up to 2400 hrs 22 Jan 43.

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Nil

2. Information re Own Troops.
a) i Location.
The Bn remains encamped in C and D Blocks NARELLAN Camp.

ii Posting of Officers
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General hardening up training has been carried out.

c) I Section
On 23 Jan 43 Cpl Murphy J. left for Map Reading and Field Sketching School at SEYMOUR.
The section has been preparing Topographical Exercise No 3 in the MONKEY CREEK -- SILVERDALE area for the Composite Coy.

3. Topography.
No recce has been carried out.

4. Security
a) Information
The manner in which information concerning the proposed move of the Bde to RUTHERFORD ~~xxx~~ or LARGS became general knowledge throughout the camp has caused some concern. A check showed that no leakage had occurred from sources in the Bn.
A detailed verbal report of this was given to F.S. personnel on 19 Jan 43.
b) Personnel
Nothing of a subversive nature to report.
c) Material
Nil.
d) Operations
Nil.
e) Censorship
Nil.
f) Suspected Persons
Nil.
g) Morale
The continued uncertainty of the unit's future has a lowering effect on the morale of all personnel.
All personnel are keen to get into an area of more active operations.
h) General
The proposed regular visits by F.S. personnel are welcome and should prove beneficial.
Owing to the absence of the I.O. at Second Aust Army the suggestions for the ~~xx~~ Unit Security Standing Orders are not yet available but they will be forwarded as soon as completed.

5. Health
The health of the tps is good

Eric Howse Lt for ---Lieut.
(W.D.Freeman.) AOC
I.O. 18 Aust Inf Bn.

This report has been read and noted

W Elliott Maj ---LT COL.
(C.H.Neville) AOC
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(W.D.Freeman.) A.D.L.
I.O. 18 Aust Inf Bn.

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W Elliott Major LT COL.
(C.M.Neville) COL
Comd 18 Aust Inf Bn.

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HQ 1/45 Aust Inf Bn
AUSTRALIA
23 Jan 43.

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

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Lt.Col
(L.W.Casier)
Comd 1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

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ROUTINE ORDERS Nos 32 - 39

PART I

BY

BRIG A.C.S. HOLLAND

COMMANDING

9 AUST INF BDE

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)

28 Jan 43.

GENERAL STAFF

32. TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION, REGIMENTAL STRETCHER BEARERS.

(a) RMOs are responsible, in conjunction with unit comds, for the training of regimental stretcher bearers in first aid.

(b) A report will be forwarded to these HQ by 0900 hrs 29 of each month giving particulars of such training carried out.

33. ESCAPES OF PRISONERS OF WAR FROM ENEMY HANDS

1. It is the duty of all soldiers if captured by the enemy to effect escape at the earliest possible moment.

2. It is equally important that the soldier having completed his escape should not disclose the method by which he, or any companions he may have had, evaded the enemy and achieved freedom.

3. The disclosure of such information -

(a) prejudices the chances of other escapees;
(b) prevents other members of Allied forces from using the same or similar methods of escape;
(c) endangers the lives of those who may have assisted the escapees at any stage of their escape.

4. Therefore, escaped prisoners of war will not, without the permission of GSI of a Corps or higher formation, disclose any details of their experiences in connection with their escape :-

(a) either verbally or in writing to their friends and relatives,
(b) either verbally or in writing to the press or broadcast stations.

5. Full details, however, will be given by escaped prisoners of war at the earliest opportunity to the nearest Allied Military Headquarters, from whence it will be transmitted to GSI at LHQ or Advanced LHQ direct.

6. This order shall be read in conjunction with GRO A 443/1942 regarding giving parole by officers and other ranks.

(to be repeated in Unit routine orders)

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ADMINISTRATION

CAMP DUTIES.

Duty Unit
22 Jan 43 - 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
23 Jan 43 - 1/45 Aust Inf Bn
24 Jan 43 (from 0700 hrs) - 18 Aust Inf Bn
24 Jan 43 (from 1800 hrs) - HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
25 Jan 43 - 1/45 Aust Inf Bn
26 Jan 43 - Camp Staff
28 Jan 43 - 18 Aust Inf Bn
31 Jan 43 - 1/45 Aust Inf Bn

Field Officer
22 Jan 43 - Capt A.W. McDonald, 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
23 Jan 43 - Maj W.N. Kitcher, 17 Aust Inf Bn
28 Jan 43 - Capt L.J. Griffin, 18 Aust Inf Bn
31 Jan 43 - Capt R.G. Catterns, 1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

Ambulance Driver - Commencing 28 Jan 43 Duty Unit will supply one relief driver for ambulance.
Driver will be quartered at CDS during tour of duty.

Mosquito Control - Two personnel from each Unit will report Camp Staff Office 0830 hrs with personal gear and bedding on following dates :

28 Jan 43 - 1/45 Aust Inf Bn
4 Feb 43 - 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
11 Feb 43 - 18 Aust Inf Bn

35. ROUTINE ORDERS

The following routine orders have been issued and will be noted for information and necessary action :

General ROs - 41 - 68, 15 Jan 43
General Orders - 80 - 86, 31 Dec 42
Second Aust Army ROs - 14 - 24, 17 Jan 43
1 Aust Div ROs - 36 - 50, 19 Jan 43.

36. APPOINTMENT ETC ORDERS.

The following appointment etc orders have been issued to units for infm :

Second Aust Army Appointment No 21, 14 Jan 43.

37. ABSENCE WITHOUT LEAVE.

1. Attention is directed to the fact that the seriousness of the offence of absence without leave is not properly appreciated and that the commission of this offence has become very prevalent.

2. All offrs will ensure that the members under their command are instructed in the reasons for the offence being regarded seriously and will bring to particular notice the facts that absence without leave reflects adversely on the offender's unit, and that it throws a heavier burden on his comrades and disrupts leave roster and that it is not a sign of "toughness" on the offender's part but a betrayal of the national cause by its resulting wastage of transport, manpower and money and impairment of the efficiency and fighting strength of the offender's unit.

3. If it appears to a commanding offr investigating a charge of absence without leave that the accused has been absent without leave for a period in excess of 28 days, he should direct a summary of evidence to be taken and should apply to superior authority for a court-martial. The superior authority should convene a court-martial for the trial of the accused unless it appears to him that special extenuating circumstances exist, in which event he may direct the commanding offr to deal summarily with the charge.

4. The attention of all offrs appointed as presidents or members of court-martial is directed to AMR & O 558 (3)

5. A commanding offr will follow the procedure prescribed in AMR & O 461 in every case of illegal absence from his unit, whether or not the illegal

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absentee is suspected of desertion, and he will ensure that the descriptive report of the illegal absentee is rendered, whenever possible, within twenty-four hours from the time the illegal absence is discovered. The efficient working of the Provost Staff in this regard is largely dependent upon the promptness with which commanding offrs notify cases of illegal absence. There is, however, a corresponding duty to notify the Provost Staff promptly when absentees return direct to their units.

6. Whenever possible, a court of inquiry under AMR & O 445 will be held on an illegal absentee on the twenty-second day of his absence. If a member is declared by such court to be absent without leave or other sufficient cause, a notification of the court's declarations will be sent forthwith to the nearest District Finance Officer.

7. 7. MBI A 169/1941 is cancelled.

(To be repeated in Unit routine orders)

38. MISUSE OF ARMY TRANSPORT - THEFT OF PETROL

1. Whenever it appears that an officer or soldier has used both a Government motor vehicle and Government petrol for an unauthorized purpose he will be charged with the unauthorized use of both the vehicle and the petrol.

2. The charge of unauthorized use of the vehicle will normally be laid under section 11 of the Army Act with an alternative charge under section 40 of that Act. If, however, it appears from the evidence that the member charged used the vehicle with the intention of stealing it, the charge will be laid under section 18 (4) of the Army Act as one of stealing public property with an alternative charge under section 40 of that Act.

3. The charge of unauthorized use of the petrol (consumed by the unauthorized use of the vehicle) will be laid under section 18 (4) of the Army Act as stealing public property and an alternative charge under section 40 of the Army Act will always be laid.

4. The charges laid concerning the one incident should all be on the one charge sheet and may be heard together.

(To be repeated in Unit routine Orders)

39. RETURNS.

The following returns will be rendered :

Pago AIF	- 25 Jan 43
Medical Return	- 23 Jan 43
Seasonal Leave	- 23 Jan 43.

Medical Examination and Photographing Returns in accordance Second Aust Army circular A6357 to be submitted by 15 each month

(R.N. WILLIAMS) Capt.
A/BM 9 Aust Inf Bde.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

21 Jan 43 , 1930 hrs CENEF Hut Miss Marsh Concert Party.

23 Jan 43 2000 hrs CENEF - Talkies

24 Jan 43 1930 hrs Salvation Army - Community Singing.

25 Jan 43 1930 hrs Salvation Army - Chess

26 Jan 43 1930 hrs Stadium - Talkies and Quiz

NOTICE.

CANTEEN 443 (vicinity 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)) now bulk issuing point only.

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AUSTRALAIN MILITARY FORCES.

Serial No.5.

ROUTINE ORDERS

Nos. 40 - 46

PART 1.

by

BRIG A. C. S. HOLLAND.

COMMANDING

9 AUST INF BDE.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)

28 Jan 43

GENERAL STAFF.

Nil.

ADMINISTRATION.

40. DUTY UNIT

31 Jan 43	- 1/45 Aust Inf Bn
3 Feb 43	- 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
6 Feb 43	- 18 Aust Inf Bn.

FIELD OFFICER

31 Jan 43	- Capt. R.G.CATTERNS - 1/45 Aust Inf Bn.
3 Feb 43	- Capt. A.W.McDonald - 17 Aust Inf Bn(AIF)
6 Feb 43	- Capt. J.W.Baillie - 18 Aust Inf Bn.

Ambulance Driver. Duty Unit.

Mosquito Control

4 Feb 43	- 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
11 Feb 43	- 18 Aust Inf Bn

41. ROUTINE ORDERS: The following Routine Orders have been issued and will be noted for information and necessary action.

General Routine Orders	69 - 95	22 Jan 43
Second Aust Army ROs	25 - 26	21 Jan 43

42. APPOINTMENTS ETC ORDERS: The following appointments etc. Orders have been issued to Units for information.

Second Aust Army ROs	22	21 Jan 43

43. FIRE PRECAUTIONS: Units will take every precaution against fire. Fire beaters will be carried with parties moving away from camp.

44. MEDICAL OFFICERS - 9 AUST INF BDE.

a. RMOs 17 and 18 Aust Inf Bns are temporarily appointed as follows:

Capt. W.F. Burfitt (Senior MO 9 Aust Inf Bde GP.
(OC 18 Aust Camp Hospital.

Capt. E. Lloyd-Williams (RMO all units 9 Aust Inf Bde Gp.

b. These officers may be contacted at the following locations:

Capt. W.F. Burfitt - 18 Aust Camp Hospital

Capt. E. Lloyd-Williams - 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

c. Sick Parades requiring the attention of RMO will be held at RAP 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) at 0730 hrs and 1600 hrs daily.

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45. ARMY POSTAL SERVICE ARRANGEMENTS. Arrangements as outlined below will be observed by the Field Post Office which is located between the Military PO and the CUSA Hut.

Hours of Duty. The Field PO will be open for business between the hours:

Mon to Sun - 0800 to 1930

Facilities: Stamps and Postal Notes (free of poundage) can only be obtained during the hours of attendance as shown above. ALL non-official mail must be franked and censored before being handed to Field Post Office. All Official mail must be endorsed on left hand side of envelope "Certified Official" and this signed by an officer.

Outward Mails: Times for closing of Outward Mails is as follows:

To civilian addresses		Official and mail bearing "Australia" addresses.	
Mon to Fri	0830 hrs	Mon to Fri	0830 hrs
	1700 hrs		1700 hrs
Sat	1200 hrs	Sat	1600 hrs
	1600 hrs		
Sun	1700 hrs	Sun	1700 hrs

Postal Orderlies will report with Unit outward mail to NCO in charge of Field Post Office half an hour before above closing times.

Urgent Official Mails: will be received up to 10 mins prior to closing time

Inward Mails. Inward mails are received as under:

Mon to Sun 0840 hrs.

UNIT POSTAL ORDERLIES will report daily to NCO i/c of F P O at 0915 hrs to collect their respective Unit Mail.

46. GREASE TRAPS AND SULLAGE SYSTEM. Unit Duty Officers will assure themselves of the cleanliness of the above. Grease traps have, in many cases, been a convenient means of disposing of grease. This practice will cease forthwith.

(To be published in Unit Routine Orders)

47 PUNISHMENTS.

NX 111008 Pte. Supple R.P. A.W.L. From 2359 hrs on 23 Jan 43
Till 1330 hrs on 24 Jan 43
A.A. 15 (1)

Fined £1-0-0. Informed of forfeitur of 1 days pay and allowances.

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NX 141957 Pte. Burt A. (1) A.W.L. From 2359 hrs on 23 Jan 43
Till 0615 hrs on 26 Jan 43

(2) Failed to obey Bde Routine Orders - para 5 Ser. 1/43 - A.A. LL.

Fined £4-0-0. Confined to Barracks for 14 days. Informed of foiture of 3 days pay and allowances.

for (R.N.WILLIAMS) Capt.
A/BM 9 Aust Inf Bde.
AOD

ENTERTAINMENTS.

Sat	30	Jan	43	- CENEF 2000 hrs	- Talkies
Sun	31	Jan	43	- Salvation Army Hut 1930 hrs	-)Community Singing.)
Tues	2	Feb	43	- Stadium 1930 hrs	- Talkies and Quiz.
Wed	3	Feb	43	- CENEF 2000 hrs	- Talkies.

"BOOMERANG" Military Concert Party.

Camden Cinema Theatre - Tues 2 Feb 43 at 1945 hrs.

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Address HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde AIF.
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31 JAN 1943

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

I Aust Div.

I. Enclosed please find 9 Aust Inf Bde Intelligence Report for week ended 2559 hrs 29 Jan 43, in duplicate.

(A.C.S. HOLLAND) Brig.
COMD 9 AUST INF BDE AIF.

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9 AUST INF BDE INTELLIGENCE REPORT

Based on information received up to 2359 hrs 29 Jan 43.

I. (a) OPS OWN TPS. Nil.

(b) LOCATION. See appendix 'A' attached.

(c) POSTING OF OFFRS. I/45 Aust Inf Bn. The following changes are reported:- Lieut. J. P. BLAINEY, Lieut. J. H. ROBINSON, Lieut. D. HUMPHRIES volunteered to Independent Parachute Coys.

I7 Aust Inf Bn AIF. No change.

I8 Aust Inf Bn. Capt. R.S. FREEMAN, Lieuts C.D. CAMPBELL and G.C. GLENWRIGHT marched out to I Aust Div Conc Gp for examination as reinforcements for Parachute and Independent Coys.

(d) TRAINING. HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde AIF. Personnel of Bde MT participated successfully in PT exercise SILVERDALE-SPRINGWOOD.

I/45 Aust Inf Bn. Bn engaged in tests of PT 27 Jan-29Jan43

I7 Aust Inf BnAIF. Bn engaged on PT test from 25Jan- 27 Jan43.

I8 Aust Inf Bn. On 25 Jan- 27 Jan 43 this unit participated in the PT exercise.

A detailed report on the exercise is attached appendix 'B'

(e) INFM RE 'I' SEC. HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde AIF. Composition:- I Offr, I S/Sjt, I Cpl, I Pte (batman). A/Cpl PERCIVAL attended I Aust Div Tng School Anti Malarial Wing 25 Jan - 30 Jan 43.

I/45 Aust Inf Bn . Composition:- I Offr, I Sjt, I Pte. 'I' Sec accompanied Bn on PT test.

I7 Aust Inf Bn AIF. Composition:- I Sjt. Tng. With Bn on PT test.

I8 Aust Inf Bn. Composition:- I Offr, I Sjt, I Cpl, I L/Cpl, I Pte. Sec participated in PT test with Bn. On 24 Jan 43 Pte D. HOLLELEY returned to the sec after being absent due to injury since May 42.

I6. TOPOGRAPHY EFFECTING OWN TPS. During the exercise the LIVERPOOL I" was found inaccurate in vic ref 554293. There is a volcanic formation in this area , the watercourse flowing into WESTERN CK in a westerly direction. Apart from this both the LIVERPOOL and WINDSOR sheets proved very reliable .

I7. TOPOGRAPHY EFFECTING ENEMY TPS. Nil.

I8. CLIMATIC CONDITIONS EFFECTING OPS. Nil

I9. SECURITY. (a) Information. Isolated rumours continue to be reported to these HQ. The most recent reported states that n9 Aust Inf Bde is about to move to WOLLONGONG area. This was heard outside 9 Aust Inf Bde Gp.

(b) Personnel. FSS visited Bde through the week.

(c) Material. Nil.

(d) Ops. Nil.

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(e) Censorship. Reports have been received that outward telegrams from NARELLAN military PO. have been received bearing details of the originating office.

(f) Suspected Persons. Nil.

(g) Morale - Internal. Tps on trek showed a high degree of determination and perserverance and an eagerness to successfully complete their task. A good spirit of comradeship exists between all personnel and morale is high among them.

External. Nil.

Amplough.

(R.H.G. LAMPLOUGH) Lieut.
IO 9 Aust Inf Bde.

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I7 Aust Inf Bn AIF Report on PT Exercise.

BN was engaged from Sunday 25 Jan until Tuesday 27 Jan 43 on trek from SILVERDALE to SPRINGWOOD. Bn left Cadre Camp at 0700 hrs 25Jan43 and was conveyed to SILVERDALE by MT. Tps then marched to the river and made crossing. Those unable to swim, pulled themselvesacross on a rope.

Equipment and gear was wrapped in ground sheets and floated across. This proved quite successful and only one set of gear was lostin the operation (afterwoods recovered) Although crossing was successful much valuable time could be saved if tps were able to swim.

After completing the crossing Bn moved to bivouac site at ERSKINE Ck. During next day Bn moved to GLENBROOK Ck. and bivouaced for night. Next day movement was made to SPRINGWOOD arriving at I700 hrs.

Lessons brought out on this trek were :

I. Utmost need for strict water discipline.

2. Physical condition of men must be rigidly checked as moves of this nature require a high standard of physical fitness.

3. The need for regular map reading exercises so that the best possible routes can be traversed at all times.

4. The need for a more palatable form of ration than Bully Beef and Biscuits. A big percentage of tps find that this form of ration is NOT satisfying and consequently they do not eat sufficient to build up the necessary strength required for strenuous work of this nature.

5. Equipment must be reduced to a minimum if tps are expected to be able to engage the ENEMY after completing a similar cross countyy move.

6. All personnel should be able to swim at least 100 yds, and efforts are being made to bring all personnel up to this standard.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn Report on PT Exercise forwarded 29 Jan 43. ~~[illegible]~~ Maj Holts.

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H.Q. 18 Aust Inf Bn
30 Jan 43

18 Aust. Inf. Bn. Intelligence Report

Based on infm received up to 2400hrs 29 Jan 43.

1b Location Own Tps.

The Bn remains encamped at C and D blocks NARELLAN camp.

c Postingof Officers

Capt R.S.Freeman Lieuts C.D.Campbell and G.C.Glenwright marched out to 1 Aust Div Conc Gp for examination as reinforcement officers for parachute and independant Coys.

d Training

On 25-27 Jan the unit participated in a physical training exercise conducted under conditions setout in Second Aust Army Trg Instr No 23 from SILVERDALE TO SPRINGWOOD. A detailed report on the exercise is attached appendix No 1.

e)Information re I Section

The I section participated successfully in the recent exercise. Sjt Howie acted as guide to the unit while the remainder of the Section joined the Coy to make it up to strength.
On 24 Jan Pte D.Holleley returned to the section after being absent due to injury since May 42.

16 Topography affecting Own Tps

During the exercise The LIVERPOOL O.S.1" was found inaccurate in vic ref 554293 There is a volcanic formation in this area, the watercourse flowing into WESTERN Creek in a westerly direction. Apart from this both the LIVERPOOL and WINDSOR sheets proved very reliable throught the exercise.

19 Security

a) Information. Nothing to report.
b) Personnel. Nothing to report.
c) Material. Nothing to report.
d) Operations. Nothing to report.
e) Censorship. Further reports have been received that outward telegrams from the NARELLAN MILITARY P.O. have been received bearing details of the originating office. ~~shows~~. (Source C 2)
f) Suspected Persons. Nothing to report.
g) Morale Internal. The morale of the tps proved good throughout the recent physical training exercise.
h) Morale External. Nothing to report.

Eric C Howe Sgt for Lieut
(W.D.Freeman) A.O.2
I.O.18 Aust Inf Bn.

This report has been read and noted.

C.H. Neville Lt Col.
(C.H.Neville)
Comd 18 AUST inf Bn.

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HQ 1/45 Aust Inf Bn,
AUSTRALIA
30 Jan 43

9 Aust Inf Bde, (AIF)
AUSTRALIA

1/45 Aust Inf Bn Int Report For Week Ending 29 Jan 43.
Based on infm received up to 2359 hrs 29 Jan 43.

1...(a) Ops(Own Tps) - See Paragraph 1(d)

(b) Location own tps- Cadre Camp Narellan.

(c) Posting of offrs - the following changes are reported since last return:- Lieut.J.P.Blainey, Lieut.J.H.Robertson, Lieut.D.A.Humphries, volunteered to Independent Parachute Coys.

(d) Trg- 23Jan Bde Duties - preparation for 3 day exercise.
24 Jan - Church Parade- Leave
25 Jan - Leave
26 Jan - Leave
27 Jan - Tests of Physical Trg.
28 Jan " " " "
29 Jan " " " "

(e) Infm re "I" Section
(1. Composition - Lieut.G.H.Jesser
Sgt Steffanoni C.W.
Pte Hull D.(A/SII)
2. Trg & Work - Essential "I" Duties being carried out - "I" Section on 3 days tests of Physical Trg- P & OR (Tactical) Staff intsn being carried out.

16. Topography affecting own tps - nil

19. Security
(a) Infm- Rumor that this Bde is moving to Pt Kembla for Garrison duties, and that Narellan Camp will be full of tps in 21 days
(b) Pers- Nil
(c) Material- No Activity
(d) Ops- Normal Guard and Piquet Duties being carried out.
(e) Censorship- No breaches reported.
(f) Suspected persons - No Activity

Morale
(g) Internal- Morale of tps good
(h) External- No friction reported.

Lieut
(G.H.Jesser)
I.O. 1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

This report has been read and noted by

Lt.Col
(L.W.Casier)
Comd 1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

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Intelligence Report
17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
Australia.

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17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Intelligence Report

For Week Ending 30 Jan 43.

Based on information received up to 2359 hrs. 29 Jan 43.

1. (a) Ops. (Own Tps.)
Nothing to report.

(b) Location of Own Tps.
Bn HQ. has been situated during this week at Cadre Camp, NARELLAN, Camden 720988.

(c) Posting of Officers.
No change.

(d) Training.
Bn. was engaged from Sunday 25 Jan 43 until Tuesday 27 Jan 43 on trek from SILVERDALE to SPRINGWOOD. Bn. left Cadre Camp at 0700 hrs. 25 Jan 43 and was conveyed to SILVERDALE by M.T. Tps. marched to river and made crossing. Those unable to swim, pulled themselves across on a rope. Equipment and gear was wrapped in ground sheets and floated across. This proved quite successful and only one set of gear was lost in the operation.(afterwards recovered). Although crossing was quite successful much valuable time could be saved if Tps ~~who were~~ able to swim. ~~more given regular swimming instruction.~~ X After completing the crossing Bn. moved to bivouac site at ERSKINE CREEK. During next day Bn moved to GLENBROOK CREEK and bivouaced for night. Next day movement was made to SPRINGWOOD arriving at 1700 hrs
Lessons brought out on this trek were:
(i) Utmost need for strict water discipline
(ii) Physical condition of men must be rigidly checkdd as moves of this nature require a high standard of physical fitmess.
(iii) The need for regular map reading exercises so that the best possible routes canbe traversed at all times.
(iv) The need for a more palatable form of ration than Bully Beef and Biscuits. A big percentage of the Tps. find that this form of ration is not satisfying and consequently they do not eat sufficient to build up the necessary strength required for strenuous work of this nature.
(v) Equipment must be reduced to a minimum if Tps. are expected to be able to engage the ENEMY after completing a similiar cross country move.
(vi) All personnel should be able to swim at least a 100 yards and effort ~~should be~~ made to bring all personnel up to this standard.
During later part of week, Bn. on 3 day leave.

(e) Information re I. Section.
(i) Composition.
1 Sjt.
(ii) Trg and Work.
With Bn. on trek then on leave.

16. Topography. affecting Own Tps.
No additional information has been received or recorded during this week.

17. Topography. affecting ENEMY Tps.
Nothing to report.

18. Climate and Riverflood Conditions. affecting Ops.
Nothing to report.

19. Security.
(a) Information.
No new rumours were circulated during this week.
(b) Personnel.
Nothing in this category has been observed.

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19. Security. (c) Material.
Stores and equipment appear well guarded.
(d) Operation.
Nothing to report.
(e) Censorship.
No breaches have been recorded during this week.
(f) Suspected persons.
Nothing to report.

Morale.
(a) Internal.
Tps on trek showed a high degree of determination and perserverance and an eagerness to successfully complete their task. A good spirit of comradeship exists between all personnel and morale is high among them.
(b) External.
No record of friction with civilians or Allied Tps. have been recorded during this week.

W. L. Champion
(W.L. Champion) I. Sjt. for I.O. 17 Aust Inf Bn Sjt. (AIF).

Seen by

(J.W. Lindfield) Adm.Comd.17 Aust Inf Bn Maj. (AIF).

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Intelligence Report
17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
Australia.

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17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Intelligence Report

For Week Ending 30 Jan 43.

Based on information received up to 2359 hrs. 29 Jan 43.

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Nothing to report.

(b) Location of Own Tps.
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(c) Posting of Officers.
No change.

(d) Training.
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(i) Utmost need for strict water discipline
(ii) Physical condition of men must be rigidly checked as moves of this nature require a high standard of physical fitness.
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During later part of week, Bn. on 3 day leave.

(e) Information re I. Section.
(i) Composition.
1 Sqt.
(ii) Trg and Work.
With Bn. on trek then on leave.

16. Topography. affecting Own Tps.
No additional information has been received or recorded during this week.

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Nothing to report.

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Nothing to report.

19. Security.
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No new rumours were circulated during this week.
(b) Personnel.
Nothing in this category has been observed.

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Nothing to report.
(e) Censorship.
No breaches have been recorded during this week.
(f) Suspected persons.
Nothing to report.

Morale.
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(b) External.
No record of friction with civilians or Allied Tps. have been recorded during this week.

W. C. Champion
(W.L. Champion) I. Sjt. for I.C. 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF). Sjt.

Seen by

(J.W. Linfield) Adm.Cond.17 Aust Inf Bn (AI Maj.

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H.Q.
9th.Aust.Inf.Bde. (AIF)
AUSTRALIA.

'A' Bde: Grp. Sect.
1 Aust. Div. Ord. Fd. Park
30 JAN 1943

"I" REPORT

I. a. Normal Activities.

b. 692928 Camden Sheet.

c. Lt.N.Johnston, N274639, O.C. this Bde.Section.

d. Training in Technical Duties,Driving Instn.

e. Nil.

I6. Normal.

I9. a. Nil.

b. Personnel warned of spreading Rumours and of talking about operations of Unit.

c. One Picquet supplied nightly in conjunction with "A" Bde.W/Shops,AEME.

d. Normal.

e. Personnel warned that all Mail matters must be submitted submitted for Censorship by O.C. Normal amount of Letters passing through Unit- no infringement of Censorship detected,

f. Nil

g. Fair

h. No information.

N.Johnston Lt. .....O.C.

'A' Bde: Grp. Sect.
1 Aust. Div. Ord. Fd. Park
30 JAN 1943

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1 Aust. Div. Ord. Rd. Park
30 JAN 1943

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TELEPHONE—

Australian Military Forces—Eastern Command.

"A" BDE. GP. WKSHOP
1 AUST DIV

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Address Australia

Date 30 Jan 43.

"A" Bde Gp Wkshops AEME Intelligence Report for Week Ending 29 Jan 43 based on information received up to 2359 hours .

1. (a) Operations - Technical duties and training in the repair and recovery of all mechanical vehicles, including guns and small arms.

(b) Location - Map reference 692931 Camden sheet.

(c) Posting of Officers -
O/C Lieut. T. D. Richardson
2 i/c Lieut. J. S. Buckman

(d) Training - during the week comprised recapitulation of squad drill with arms, respirators were worn for one half hour during normal working hours. Five (5) men from this unit passed through the DM gas chamber test.

16. Topography - ho change in workshop topographical conditions.

19. Security - (a) Information - no matters for report
(b) Personnel - no matters for report
(c) Material - theft of petrol-13 gals refer advice to Bde HQ dated 29/1/43

(d) Operations - normal
(e) Censorship - normal inflow of letters- no deletion required.

(f) Suspected Persons - nil
(g) Morale
Internal - fair
External - fair

.....Lieut
T. D. Richardson
O/C "A" Bde Gp Wkshop AEME .

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TELEPHONE—

Australian Military Forces—Eastern Command.

"A" BDE. GP. WKSHOP
1 AUST. DIV. WKSHOP (AEME)

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Address Australia
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required.

(f) Suspected
Persons - nil
(g) Morale
Internal - fair
External - fair

.....Lieut
T. D. Richardson
O/C "A" Bde Gp Wkshop AEME .

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HQ 1/45 Aust Inf
AUSTRALIA
30 Jan 43

3 Aust Inf Bde, (AIF)
AUSTRALIA

1/45 Aust Inf Bn Int Report For Week Ending 29 Jan 43.
Based on infm received up to 2359 hrs 29 Jan 43.

1...(a) Ops(Own Tps) - See Paragraph 16(d)

(b) Location own tps- Cadre Camp Narellan.

(c) Posting of offrs - the following changes are reported since last return:- Lieut.J.P.Blainey, Lieut.J.M.Robertson, Lieut.D.A.Humphries, volunteered to Independent Parachute Coys.

(d) Trg- 23Jan Bde Duties - preparation for 3 day exercise.
24 Jan - Church Parade- Leave
25 Jan - Leave
26 Jan - Leave
27 Jan - Tests of Physical Trg.
28 Jan 43 " " " "
29 Jan " " " "

(e) Infm re "I" Section
(1. Composition - Lieut.G.H.Jesser
Sgt Steffanoni C.W.
Pte Hull D.(A/SII)
2. Trg & Work - Essential "I" Duties being carried out - "I" Secti on 3 days tests of Physical Trg- P & OR (Tactical) Staff intsn being carried out.

16. Topography affecting own tps - nil

19. Security
(a) Infm- Rumor that this Bde is moving to Pt Kembla for Garrison duties, and that Narellan Camp will be full of tps in 21 days
(b) Pers- Nil
(c) Material- No Activity
(d) Ops- Normal Guard and Piquet Duties being carried out.
(e) Censorship- No breaches reported.
(f) Suspected persons - No Activity

Morale
(g) Internal- Morale of tps good
(h) External- No friction reported.

Lieut
(G.H.Jesser)
I.O. 1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

This report has been read and noted by

Lt.Col
(L.W.Casier)
Comd 1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

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TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

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WE AIF. 11/2/3.
7x69 Attached

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

HQ 9 Aust. Inf. Bde CAIFS (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2		3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached) WE	Posted	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
Brigadier *	1	1		
*				
Lieut.-Colonels				
Majors	2	1		1
Captains	5	3		2
Lieutenants	6	7	1	
2nd Lieutenants				
~~Quartermasters~~ Chaplains ...	3	3		
Totals	17	15	1	3

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	Lamplough. R.H.E.	17 A. I. Bn CAIFS	24 Dec.	See Aust. Army Appt. List 18

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 ~~Corps.~~ Appmt.	5 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brig	NX 101312	HOLLAND A.C.S.	Bde Comd.	No.	Det. JOOTS.
LT/T/MAJ	NX 101315	DARLING E.C.	B.M.	"	" "
LT/T/CAPT	NX 101316	Williams R.H.C.	BM/L.	yes.	
" "	NX 101318	CLUTTON H.T.	TO.	"	
" "	NX 119021	WEBB R.S.	SC	"	
Lieut	NX 112600	WALTON S.J.T	AO	"	
"	NX 119022	GRAHAM A.H.	SC/L	"	
"	NX 103938	BURROWS R.G.O	BASCO	"	
"	NX 76308	MOORE C.F.	LO1	"	
"	NX 101322	PEARE R.G.	LO2	"	
"	NX 103981	LAMPLOUGH R.H.G.	TO	"	
"	N 429323	McNAMARA W.M.J.	E.O.	"	
CHAPLAIN	NX 39283	McDERMOTT P.P.	CHAP.	No	Det 17 A.I. Bn
"	N 282161	CUTCLIFFE E.M.	"	"	" 18 " "
"	N 429708	LAMBERT E.D.	"	"	" 1/15 " "
		ATTACHED			
Lieut	NX 101367	OLIVER W.H.	18 A.I. Bn.	yes	Pending Secondment
"	NX 112382	COOPER W.L	1 Fd. Hyg. Sec	"	" "
LT/T/CAPT	NX 112881	JONES K.S.R	1 Div. Sigs	"	
LT/T/CAPT	NX 104753	FRIEND J.A.	OC 254 LAD	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

HQ 9 AUST. INF. Bde (AIF)
(Unit.)

H. Graham Lieut
(Signature of Commander.)

2 Jan '13
(Date of Despatch.)

1 AUST. DIV
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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Last Return No. 24

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Army Form W.3009
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Serial No. 1
WE AIF 11/2/3
7x69 Attached

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

HQ 9 Aust. Inf. Bde (AIF) (Unit) 2 Jan 1943 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2		3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). WE	Posted	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1	1		
W.Os. Class II.	2	2		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants				
Staff Serjeants	1	1		
Serjeants	5	6	1	
Corporals	7	6		1
Troopers, Privates, &c.	53	47		6
TOTALS	69	63	*1	*7

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Attached Under WE		Other Attachments	
2 Sgts 1 Cpl. 9 OR's	234 L.A.P.	4	1 Div. Postal.
1 " 4 " 29 "	J Sec Sngs		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
		Summary		
AMF	AIF		VAD etc	
1 and	14 + 63		—	

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HQ 9 Aust. Inf. Bde (AIF) Unit.

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PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V. AAOC		1	Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters			Sgts	1	
						CPls		1
						PTCs		5
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)							1	7

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

HQ 9 Aust. Inf. Bde (AIF)
Unit.

[signature] Graham Lewis
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 2 Jan '13

1 Aust. Div.
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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Serial No. 2.
WE AIF. 11/2/3
17x12 ATT.

On leave without pay
Posted strength – Nil
X Lent – Nil

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

HQ 9 Aust. Inf. Bde (AIF) (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2		3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). WE.	Posted.	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
Brigadier *	1	1		
*				
Lieut.-Colonels				
Majors	2	1		1
Captains	6	4		2
Lieutenants	5	6	1	
2nd Lieutenants				
~~Quartermasters~~ Chaplains ...	3	3		
Totals	17	15	1	3

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 ~~Corps.~~ Appointment	5 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brig	NX101314	Holland A.C.S.	Bde Comd.	No	Det Joots
Lt/T/Maj	NX101318	Darling G.C.	BM.	"	" "
Lt/T/Capt	NX101316	Williams R.N.	BM/L	Yes	
" "	NX101318	Clutton K.T.	TO	"	
" "	NX117021	Webb R.S.	SC	"	
" "	NX76308	Moore C.F.	LO1	"	
Lieut	NX112660	Walton S.J.T.	AO	"	
"	NX117022	Graham A.K.	SC/L	"	
"	NX103938	Burrows R.G.O.	BASCO	"	
"	NX101322	Dearey R.G.	LO2	"	
"	NX103981	Lamplough R.H.G.	IO	"	
"	N429323	McNamara W.M.J.	AQ	"	
Chaplain	NX34983	McDermott P.P.	CHAP.	No	Det 17 A.I. Bn
"	N282161	Cutcliffe E.M.	"	"	" 18 " "
"	N429708	Lambert E.H.	"	"	" 1/15 " "
		Attached.			
Lieut	NX101367	Oliver W.H.	18 A.I. Bn.	Yes	Pending Secondment
"	NX112382	Cooper W.L.	1 Sd. Hyg. Sec	"	" "
Lt/T/Capt	NX14288	Jones K.S.R.	1 Div Sigs	"	
" "	NX104733	Friend J.A.	OC 2 Sd LAQ	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

HQ 9 Aust. Inf. Bde. (AIF)
(Unit.)

[signature] Capt.
S.C. 9 Aust. Inf. Bde.
(Signature of Commander.)

9 Jan 43.
(Date of Despatch.)

1 Aust. Div
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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On leave w/ Pay
Posted Strength - Nil
X Bnd - Nil

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Serial No 2
WE AIF 11/2/3
17x72 ATT.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

HQ 9 Aust. Inf. Bde (AIF) (Unit) 9 Jan 1943 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2		3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). WE	Posted	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1	1		
W.Os. Class II.	2	2		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants				
Staff Serjeants	2	2		
Serjeants	4	5	1	
Corporals	8	7		1
Troopers, Privates, &c.	55	47		8
TOTALS	72	64	* 1	* 9

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Attached Under WE		Other Attachments	
2 Sgts 1 Cpl 9 Sgts	234 LAD.	4	1 Div Postal.
1 " 4 " 29 "	J Sec Sigs.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
		Summary.		
AMF	AIF		VAD. etc	
1 and -	14 + 64		-	

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HQ 9 Aust. Inf. Bde (AIFS) Unit.

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PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V. AEME		1	Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters			Sgt S	1	
						PTCS		8
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)				—	1		1	8

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

HQ 9 Aust. Inf. Bde CAIFS
Unit.

[signature] Capt.
S.C. 9 Aust. Inf. Bde.
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 9 Jan 1 B.

1 Aust. Div
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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Serial No 3.

On Leave without Pay.
Posted Strength – NIL
X List – NIL.

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W/E AIF II/2/3
17 x 72
att.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) (Unit) 16 Jan 1943 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2		3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). WE	POSTED.	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1	1		
W.Os. Class II.	2	2		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants				
Staff Serjeants	2	2		
Serjeants	4	5	1	
Corporals	8	7		1
Troopers, Privates, &c.	55	46		9
TOTALS	72	63	* 1	* 10

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Attached under WE.		Other Attachments	
2 Sgts 1 Cpl 11 ORs	– 284 LAD.		
2 " 5 " 33 "	– 5 Sec Sigs	2	1 Div Postal.

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
		SUMMARY		
AIF	AMF		VAD	ETC
14 62	1 1			

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HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) Unit.

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PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V. (AEME)		1	Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters			Sgts	1	1
						PTES		9
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)					1		1	10

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
Unit.

H Graham Lewis
Signature of Commander.
S.C.3 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Date of Despatch 16 Jan 43

1 Aust Div.
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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SERIAL 3.

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WE AIF II/2/3
17 x 72
att

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

On leave w/o Pay
(AIF) Posted Strength Nil
x List Nil

HQ 9 AUST INF BDE (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2		3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).		Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
*	WE	POSTED		
BRIGADIER *	1	1		
Lieut.-Colonels				
Majors	2	1		1
Captains	6	4		2
Lieutenants	5	6	1	
2nd Lieutenants				
~~Quartermasters~~ Chaplains	3	3		
Totals	17	15	1	3.

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
BRIG	NX10152	HOLLAND AC G	BDE Cmd	NO	Ex JOOTS
LT TMAJ	NX101315	DARLINE GC	AM	NO	" "
LT TCAPT	NX101316	WILLIAMS RN	RMIL	YES	
" "	NX101319	CLUTTON KT	TO	"	
" "	NX117021	WEBB RS	SC	"	
" "	NX76308	MOORE CE	LO1	"	
LIEUT	NX112660	WALTON SJT	PO	"	
"	NX117032	GRAHAM AK	SIG	"	
"	NX103022	NURROWS REO	BRSCO	"	
"	NX101252	PEARCE RG	LOF	"	
"	NX103081	LAMBOURN RHE	IO	"	
"	NX39323	MCNAMARA WJJ	ED	NO	DET 1 AUST DIV
CHAPLAIN	NX24483	MCDERMOTT DP	CHAP	NO	DET 17 BN
"	N 39161	CUTCLIFFE EM	"	NO	" 18 BN
"	NX39138	LAMBERT EH	"	NO	" 19 BN
		ATTACHED			
LIEUT	NX101367	OLIVER NH	18 BN	YES	DEND SEC
"	NX112358	COOPER WL	1 FDHY SEC	"	" "
LT TCAPT	NX112358	JONES KSR	1 DIV SIGS	"	DC 1 SEC SIGS
" "	NX10473	FRIEND FA	1 DIV ARMD	"	" 2CH LAD

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

HQ 9 AUST INF BDE (AIF)
(Unit.)

16 JAN 43
(Date of Despatch.)

A Graham Capt Lieut
S.C. 9 Aust Inf Bde
(Signature and Commander.)

1 AUST DIV
(Bde., Div., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

WE - AIF II/2/3
17 x 72 att

On leave w/o pay -
Posted strength - Nil
"X" List - Nil

HQ 9 AUST INF BDE (AIF) (*Unit*)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).		3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
* Brigadiers	WE 1	Posted 1		
*				
Lieut.-Colonels				
Majors	2	1		1
Captains	6	4		2
Lieutenants	5	6	1	
2nd Lieutenants				
Quartermasters Chaplains	3	3		
Totals	17	15	1	3

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps. Appointment	5 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brig	NX101314	HOLLAND, A.C.S.	Bde.Comd	Yes	
Lt T/Maj	NX101315	DARLING, G.C.	BM	No	Det Army Coop Schl
Lt T/Capt	NX101316	WILLIAMS, R.N.	BM/L	Yes	
Lt T/Capt	NX101318	CLUTTON, K.T.	TO	Yes	
Lt T/Capt	NX117021	Webb R.S.	SC	Yes	
Lt T/Capt	NX 76308	MOORE, vC.F.	LOI	YES	
Lieut	NX112660	WALTON, S.J.T	AO	Yes	
Lieut	NX117022	GRAHAM, A.K.	SC/L	Yes	
Lieut	NX103938	BURROWS, R.G.O.	BASCO	Yes	
Leiut	NX101322	PEARCE, R.G.	LOII	Yes	
Lieut	NX103981	LAMPLOUGH, R.H.G.	IO	Yes	
Lieut	N 429323	McNAMARA, W.M.J.	EO	No	Det HQ NSW L of C Area
Chaplain	NX34983	McDERMOTT, P.P.	Chaplain	No	Det 17 Aust Inf Bn
"	N 282161	CUTCLIFFE, F.M.	"	No	Det 18 Aust Inf Bn
"	N 429708	LAMBERT, F.H.	"	No	Det 1/45 Aust Inf Bn
		ATTACHED.			
Lieut	NX101367	OLIVER, W.H.	18 Aust Inf Bn	Yes	Pending Secondment
Lieut	NX112382	COOPER, W.L.	1 Fd Hyg Sec	No	Det 1 Div Trg School.
Lt T/Capt	NX114288	JONES, K.S.R.	1 Div Sigs	Yes	OC J Sec Sigs.
Lieut	NX110898	PEARCE, J.C.	1 DIV SIGS	Yes	2 i/c J Sec Sigs
Lt T/Capt	NX104752	FRIEND, J.A.	1 Div AEME	Yes	OC 254 Aust LAD.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

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(Unit.)

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S.C. 9 Aust. Inf. Bde.
(Signature of Commander.)

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On leave w/o pay
Posted strength - NIL
"X" List - NIL

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) (Unit) 23 Jan 1943 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2		3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). WE	POSTED	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1	1		
W.Os. Class II.	2	2		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	7			
Staff Serjeants	2	2		
Serjeants	4	5	1	
Corporals	8	6		2
Troopers, Privates, &c.	55	46		9
TOTALS	72	62	* 1	* 11

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Attached under W/E		Other Attachments	
2 Sgts 1 Cpl	11 ORs = 254 LAD	2	1 Div Postal
2 " 5 "	33 ORs - 3 Sec Sigs		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
AIF	AMF	Summary VAD etc		
14 x 62	1 x 1	Nil		

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PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V. (AEME)		1	Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters			Sgts	1	
						Stes		10
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)							1	11

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

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